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[illegible] estimate that the emigration of 100,000 would clear the [illegible] occupation zones of Germany of displaced Jewish persons, [illegible] which the much debated recommendation of Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry on Palestine [illegible] based, is rapidly being put [illegible] of date by a new infiltration [illegible] Poland into the United States zone, authoritative United States Army sources disclosed.

There were 11,850 more persons [illegible] the United States zone of displaced persons camps on April 30 [illegible] on March 30, this source said, in spite of the fact that 16,500 have been repatriated and 1,250 emigrated during April.

New arrivals undoubtedly exceeded departures, he added, although he said that the apparent figure of about 28,000 infiltrees might be exaggerated by errors in earlier counts and the recent registration of displaced persons who had been living outside the camps.

The hopes of the Army and the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration that warm weather would stimulate the displaced persons to go home in large numbers appear to have been dashed, although it does seem to have stimulated other persons, most of them Jews, to leave Poland.

United States border control officials thus far have winked at infiltration.

In face of the situation G-5 is now working on a proposed directive that would declare repatriation to be at an end. This would [illegible] for the Army to [illegible] emigration of displaced [illegible] kinds to potential [illegible]

[illegible] Military Government has asked the State De-

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Welles Urges Action On Palestine

The United Nations was called upon to assume authority over the Arab-Jewish situation in Palestine and to safeguard Jewish immigration into that country, in an address at Baltimore, Maryland, by Sumner Welles, former Under Secretary of State, speaking as chairman of the Maryland Chapter of the American Christian Palestine Committee.

After a summary of the plight in which hundreds of thousands of European Jews now find themselves, Mr. Welles said: "We here in the United States must help to find the means of solving the immediate problem now presented. . . . If our government pursues a policy which will help to bring that to pass, we Americans will have reason to be proud of the part which we shall have played. For what is here at stake is truly the establishment of liberty."

The report of the Anglo-American Committee on Palestine, which recommended immediate issuance of immigration certificates for 100,000 persons seeking entry to Palestine, came in for sharp criticism.

Mr. Welles objected both to the procedure of appointing committee after committee rather than taking direct action—"Can any one maintain, in so far as the basic questions are involved, we are not back precisely where we were eight months ago"—and to the assumption that Britain has the right to restrict immigration into Palestine or to direct its future status, says the New York Herald Tribune.

The British, he contended, have postponed submission of its League of Nations mandate to the pro- [illegible] has now arisen, the Security Council of the United Nations should at once take cognizance of the

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Palestine Troops Searched On Leave

An amazing experience befell a trainload of Jewish Palestinian troops who came to Palestine for home leave on the eve of Passover, says the London Jewish Chronicle. They had gathered for the home trip from as far afield as Tobruk, Khartum, the Sudan, the Persian Gulf, and even Italy, and through the strenuous efforts of the Senior Chaplain to the Forces, Rabbi Cashdan, a special train was provided by General Headquarters in Cairo.

There were English Jewish soldiers also travelling in the same train, to spend Passover in Palestine. One Jewish soldier from Manchester, serving in the South Lancashire Regiment, had been posted to Egypt but he managed to get leave and he, too, was aboard the train.

The train bowled alongside the Suez Canal towards Kantara and crossed from Africa into Asia as the troops sang Palestinian songs. Packed like sardines, they were joined at Kantara by a leave party from the Jewish Brigade who had arrived at Port Said some days earlier and had been impatiently awaiting rail transport for the last leg of the journey.

They reached Rafa, which is the Palestinian frontier station. Suddenly, the train was surrounded by military police, with machine guns, and squads of police with field security service officers entered each coach. They examined the papers and searched the pockets, clothes, shoes, and baggage, and even broke open eggs which the soldiers were taking home from "egg-abundant" Egypt as a Passover gift. No one among the passengers knew what these couple of hundred military police were searching for, but, whatever it was, they did not find anything. "It reminded me of how [illegible] the Jewish women, were assigned to each coach, and they went through it with a fine comb, including magnetic detectors. Arms were taken away against receipts, although the soldiers were not permitted by their units to leave the camps unarmed by orders from Headquarters. The search took four hours, after which the train was allowed to proceed. Fortunately most of the men arrived home in time for the first Seder, but, as an Englishman remarked, "Exodus from Egypt is as difficult to-day as it was for our ancestors under Pharaoh!"

Libyan Jews Need Help

Six months after 130 Jews were killed and 450 wounded in Arab rioting in Tripolitania in November, 1,500 Jews still are unable or unwilling to return to their former homes and 1,800 Jews still require a daily bread ration from the British military administration.

Because of economic distress and a feeling of insecurity, the Jewish community has asked that a large number of its members be admitted to Palestine or the United States, said Zakino Habib, president of the community, who gave the above figures. Tripolitanian Jews would prefer Palestine, he said, because they are a Mediterranean people.

Of nearly $850,000 in property damage and loss suffered by the Jewish community in November, Mr. Habib stated, only a little more than $100,000 has been restored by relief contribution from Tripoli and abroad and by recovery of looted property. Although nearly 850 houses and 700 shops were looted, less than $10,000 worth of property has been recovered.

While the British military administration spent some $64,000 to provide food, clothing, household equipment and temporary shelter for the victims of the rioting, Mr. Habib said, it disclaims responsibility for loss of property. Four hundred and fifty property owners have now retained a London lawyer to press a legal claim for restitution. The community also has persuaded the American Joint Distribution Committee to send representatives to investigate plans for further relief, says the New York Times.

The Jews also are dissatisfied with the police protection given during [illegible]

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HIAS Will Need $3,000,000

A budget of $3,000,000 will be needed by the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society to meet the demand for visas for transfer of refugees arising from "all over Europe and Asia," Abraham Herman, president of HIAS, said to 300 members of its women's council attending their fifth annual spring donor luncheon at the Hotel Plaza, in New York. Mr. Herman said that of the first 112 visas issued by the American Commission in Frankfort on the Main, Germany, ninety-seven were given to HIAS clients. He also reported that a group of refugees who left Shanghai by ship recently for Australia would be met by HIAS representatives.

Even with the estimated budget, Mr. Herman said, the organization "will probably meet with a deficit due to the unprecedented demand for the shifting of refugees in Europe and Asia." Citing the organization's annual report, released at the luncheon, he reiterated his statement therein that "the United States will . . . continue to receive more immigrants than any other country in the Western Hemisphere."

He referred to President Truman's directive of last December, urging governmental departments to facilitate entry of immigrants within the quotas of their countries and to give preference to refugees, and noted that HIAS has "offered its full personnel and resources to the special committee . . . charged with the task of setting up the necessary machinery to facilitate entry of the immigrants." He also pointed out that the organization's expenditures for 1945 reached $1,490,110.

Reporting on HIAS service to the U.S. and overseas in 1945, Isaac L. Asofsky, executive director, said in the annual report that [illegible] since 1937. In its activities in this country, he said, 277 boats and planes carrying Jewish passengers were met.

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Thousands See Refugees Disembark

With most of her 1,754 hungry and thirsty refugees crowding to catch a glimpse of Haifa's shoreline and of pine-tree-studded Mount Carmel, the small Greek vessel Smyrna, entered the harbor and moored alongside another refugee ship that arrived two months ago.

The Jewish underground organization promoting the Smyrna's illegal voyage renamed the ship the Max Nordau in memory of the French Zionist philosopher who died in Paris in 1923 and who had urged the immediate departure of all European Jews to Palestine.

The ship was intercepted by the British destroyer Jarvis sixty miles west of Haifa after her discovery by air reconnaissance. When the Rumanian master of the vessel said he intended to proceed to Haifa she was allowed to sail without escort until she had passed into territorial waters. There a boarding party from the Jarvis arrested her captain and crew of nineteen and all aboard, says Julian Meltzer, in the New York Times.

It was reported that when the Jarvis came alongside at sea and the captain of the refugee vessel was asked where he was bound he replied: "Don't stop us. We are refugees going to Palestine. If you do you'll be responsible for our lives. We have no arms on board."

The destroyer then shadowed the vessel and was joined by the destroyer Chequers. The Greek vessel, under Jewish charter, was flying Zionist colors from her masthead as she moved into port. Thousands were crammed along the broad avenue and in side streets around the strongly guarded harbor entrances waiting to see the refugees disembark. [illegible] Poland, Hungary, Yugoslavia and [illegible]

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McDonald Scores Delay In Settling Jews

Asserting that Zionism, because of Jewish energy, science and modern technique, had become a creative force in Palestine, James G. McDonald, a United States member of the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry on Palestine, made his first personal report at a meeting of the New York chapter of the American Jewish Committee in the Central Synagogue, Lexington Avenue and Fifty-fifth Street, New York.

"If grave developments in occupied Europe and in Palestine are to be forestalled, the immigration recommendations of the committee must be put into effect promptly," Mr. McDonald declared. He added that there "is no justifiable reason for delay."

"I refuse to believe that the British Government will, by insisting upon impossible terms for their release, hold as hostages these Jewish young people, men and women, who, after surviving years of torture, ask only to be allowed to rebuild their lives in Palestine, and in so doing to be permitted to rebuild the Holy Land," he said.

"I refuse to believe that President Truman, having taken forthright and courageous leadership in this vital enterprise, will fail to press on until the 100,000 Jews are secure in Palestine. Delay in implementing this program would dangerously heighten the tension now existing in the centres where Jewish displaced persons have so long waited for release.

"If they should be convinced by adverse action that the door that seemed open is now in fact being shut again, many of them will be driven to [illegible]

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Social Notes—Montreal

Dr. and Mrs. Louis J. Notkin, Woodbury Avenue, spent a few days in Worcester, Mass., the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Gregory G. Pincus, and on their return were accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Joseph Notkin, Fulton Avenue, who spent the winter in Florida.

Miss Anne Kahane, Maplewood Avenue, is home for the summer, having completed her first year at Cooper Union Institute, New York.

Miss Thea Schatz, St. Catherine Road, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Schatz, in Toronto, Ont., for Victoria Day week-end.

Mrs. J. Wigdor, Maplewood Avenue, is visiting in Toronto, Ont., with her sons and daughters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Wigdor and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Wigdor.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Dickstein and family, Woodbury Avenue, are going to their country home in St. Donat, for the week-end.

Misses Laurel Gordon, Waverley Street, and Ruth Brown, Esplanade Avenue, are spending ten days in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Merling, 4393 Clark Street, returned from Newport, Vermont, after visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Arkin, who celebrated their first wedding anniversary.

Mrs. H. Lesser, 4204 St. Urbain Street, left to spend ten days in New York, visiting her daughter, Miss Ruth Lesser, who was formerly a radio instructor in the R.C.A.F., Women's Division, with the rank of corporal, and is now working at Cornell University.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Boretsky and son, Paul, 775 Wiseman Avenue, and the latter's fiancée, Miss Ida Okun, and her mother, Mrs. S. Okun, de Bullion Street, returned from New York and Philadelphia, Pa., where they spent two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Uditsky, of Memphis, Tenn., and daughter, Miss Rose Uditsky, of New York, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack Uditsky, Pratt Avenue; and were present at the wedding of Miss Geraldine Reinblatt to Josh. Uditsky.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Kaushansky, 1309 Bernard Avenue West, have returned from a week's stay in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Feldman, Clark Street, are occupying a cottage at Lesage, for the summer.

Mrs. K. Fishman and daughter, Sheila, St. Dominique Street, returned after spending two weeks in New York, with the former's brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Grusky, formerly Miss Barbara Fishman, of Montreal.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Singerman and son, Elliott, Van Horne Avenue, and nephew, Howard Shiller, Kent Avenue, have returned from Kingston, Ont., where they were present at Queen's University convocation, their nephew, Norman Shaffran, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Shaffran, Kent Avenue, graduating with the degree of Bachelor of Commerce.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Shaffran, Kent Avenue, were at Queen's University, Kingston, Ont., for the graduation of their son, Norman, with the degree of Bachelor of Commerce.

Miss Beatrice Stattner, Hingston Avenue, spent two weeks in New York; Clifton, N.J.; and North Adams, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Ascher Bailey, Decarie Boulevard, are spending a holiday at Ste. Agathe.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman B. Levy, of New York, stopped at the Mount Royal Hotel, while visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Livinson, Queen Mary Road, and returned home.

Mrs. Ted Lecker, Trans Island Avenue, entertained at a luncheon presentation, at the Mount Royal Hotel, in honor of her sister, Miss Evelyn Grossman, a September bride-elect, and fiancée of Harry Wolfe.

Mrs. Harris Wetstein, Mountain Street, has returned from New York.

Miss Mildred Stattner, Hingston Avenue, returned home after spending almost two weeks in New York, and Clifton, N.J.

Mrs. S. Jaffe, St. Mark Street, returned from New York and Lakewood, N.J., where she visited relatives.

Mrs. George W. Cohen, Cote des Neiges Road, entertained at dinner at the Samovar for Mrs. Leopold Ferbstein and Mrs. Virginia Harwick, of Akron, Ohio, who were delegates to the convention of the Junior Leagues of America at Quebec.

Mrs. S. Litner 5828 Durocher Avenue, entertained forty guests at tea at Eaton's, in honor of the engagement of her daughter, Miss Pearl Litner, to Tim Rosen. The table was decorated with cut spring flowers.

Mrs. J. Molson and daughters, Mary and Esther, Laval Avenue, entertained ten guests at a dinner presentation at El Morocco, in honor of Miss Esther Andes, a bride-elect of August 31, and fiancée of Max Shached.

Mrs. W. Feldman and daughter, Miss Molly Feldman, Clark Street, entertained at a tea and presentation at the Samovar in honor of Miss Marilyn Beitel, fiancée of Alec Feldman, and a bride-elect of June 9. Covers were laid for twenty guests. The honouree wore a black crepe dress, with black accessories, and a corsage of red roses.

Mrs. M. Parvin entertained at a tea and presentation of a silver candlestick holder and tray at her home, 252 Villeneuve Street West, in honor of her niece, Miss Elsie Smith, fiancée of William Rubinstein, and a bride-elect of June 18. The table was adorned with a variety of spring flowers, and had covers for twenty guests. The honouree wore a black print dress, with matching hat; and the hostess a two-piece navy and white print dress, with matching accessories.

Mrs. Jack Friedman, Laval Avenue, entetrained at a tea presentation at the Queen's Hotel, with twenty-one guests, in honor of Miss Marilyn Beitel, of Brooklyn, N.Y., a bride-elect of June 9, fiancée of Alec Feldman. The honoree wore a black and chartreuse-colored dress; the hostess, a navy dress; Mrs. E. Beitel, of Brooklyn, N.Y., mother of the bride-elect, a black dress; and Mrs. W. Feldman, mother of the groom, a gray print dress; all with corsages of red roses and white sweet peas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Turner, Park Avenue, entertained at a party for about forty people, in honor of the engagement of their daughter, Libby, to Harvey, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Cwinn, of Ottawa, Ont., who were present. The table was decorated with ribbons, candles, and a [illegible] wore a [illegible] print dress; the bride, a [illegible] dress; and Mrs. Cwinn, mother of the groom-elect, a pale blue print dress. Mesdames S. Stubitsky and M. Turner, and Misses Pearl and Ruth Turner assisted in serving.

Mrs. Mac Sher entertained at a tea at her home, 4811 Beaconsfield Avenue, in honor of Miss Ray Levine, fiancée of Harry Weiss, and a bride-elect of June 16. The table centrepiece was composed of pink candles and white streamers. The honouree was presented with a breakfast set. Mrs. H. Sher poured for: Mesdames D. Reisler, E. Goodman, N. Lieberman, S. Sher, and Misses Goldie Reisler and Ruth Goodman. Mrs. Sher received in a dusty-pink and black striped dress, with black accessories; and Miss Levine wore a silk print jersey dress, with black accessories.

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Palestine's capacity to absorb "many times 100,000 Jewish immigrants" could not be doubted.

"Immigration of 100,000 would speed up the process of fructifying the whole area," he said. "Tens of millions would benefit from this example."

WELLES URGES

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situation existing in Palestine, as provided by the terms of the United Nations Charter.

"It should thereafter take such action as may be required so that the peace of Palestine can be safeguarded while refugees from Europe are being admitted, and until such time as the Trusteeship Council can assume its full responsibility."

Mr. Welles granted that the U.N. lacks armed forces to carry out its orders, but added that the membership of the U. N. has the power to implement its decisions, and will fail to do so only if the members wish to hide behind technicalities.

Palestine is essential to many European Jews, he pointed out. They cannot return to their homes in Europe, he said, because "race prejudice, fostered by Hitlerism has not yet been eradicated from Europe. Tragically enough, it is not only in Germany where it is still extant. It is also to be found in acute form in many of the other countries of Europe."

The Committee's estimate of 500,000 Jews seeking entry into Palestine was criticized as less than the actuality. If all who wish to enter Palestine are permitted to do so, Mr. Welles continued, Palestine will probably possess in the future a Jewish majority. "I believe," he said, "that that is its rightful destiny." Such an outcome, together with erection of an independent state in Palestine, would engender better Arab-Jewish relations, Mr. Welles concluded.

INFILTREES

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[illegible] take a number of displaced persons. The State Department, however, showed hesitation to interfere in what is considered United Nations business and the military government still has not received the information.

Consequently some officers are considering the possibilities of asking the countries directly involved for this information, as well as approaching other countries for the immigration information that they sought from the State Department some time ago.

With a view to employment within the zone, the UNRRA is preparing to classify all displaced persons according to occupational skills. Considerable employment possibilities will be created by the projected consolidation of many scattered depots of the continental base section into twenty or more large depots.

As a trial the Army will employ 4,000 displaced persons at one of the first such depots in Hanau, where there are large camps for Poles and Baltics. Another depot at Frankfort on the Main is to employ 2,000 more.

In the past the Army usually found the displaced persons unsatisfactory workers because they tended to report only when so inclined, an attitude partly attributable to the fact that no consumer goods can be purchased by money earned and the further fact that such money cannot be converted into foreign currency by the emigrants.

In the hopes of improving the workers' morale G-5 also is working on a project to permit the displaced persons to exchange the money of the country to which they will go, although this [illegible] involve the United States Government's redeeming German [illegible] for which there is no dollar [illegible] about.

The United States Army [illegible] ordered a hunt throughout the occupation zone for [illegible] criminals believed [illegible] United States and United [illegible] aid.

The Army, noting that [illegible] placed persons" were [illegible] mysteriously in free [illegible] ordered that the more than [illegible] displaced persons both in [illegible] of camps be put through [illegible] ing.

Elaborate machinery [illegible] operation for the project, [illegible] by the War Department [illegible] result may be the [illegible] from the camps of many "displaced persons."

Army authorities [illegible] vast screening plan [illegible] the perpetrators of [illegible] have been [illegible] "displaced persons".

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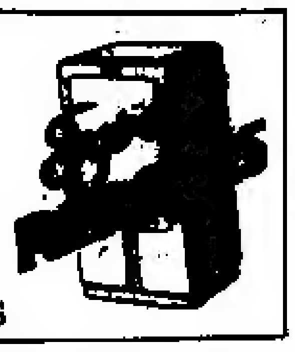

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Social Notes—Montreal

Mr. and Mrs. J. Jacobson, Esplanade Avenue, had as their guest, Mrs. Edward Moss, of Brooklyn, N.Y., for two weeks. Those who entertained for Mrs. Moss were: Misses Becky, Ida, and Rose Jacobson, Clark Street, at dinner and supper; Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Avenue, [illegible] evening; Mr. and Mrs. I. Jacobson, Jeanne Mance Street, supper and evening; Mesdames J. Jacobson, Esplanade Avenue, and A. Posner, Esplanade Avenue, tea at Eaton's; Miss Ann Sapperstein, Hutchison Street, supper and evening; Mrs. D. Mayne, Clark Street, dinner; and Mesdames J. Jacobson, Esplanade Avenue, and A. Posner, Esplanade Avenue, at tea.

Miss Reva Erdle, 5138 Esplanade Avenue, entertained at a tea in honor of Misses Elsie Brotman, a bride-elect of May 30, fiancee of Yeoman Samuel Iscovitch, R.C.N.-V.R.; Norma Cutler, a bride-elect of June 9, fiancee of Abe Rosenthal; Ruth Shagass, bride-elect of June 22, fiancee of Aviation Cadet Seymour Goldstein; and Lily Fraiberg, bride-elect of June 30, fiancee of Harry Finkel. They were presented with cut glass salt shakers [illegible] sweet peas, [illegible], and snapdragons. Mrs. M. Schwartz, sister of the hostess, poured tea. Others present were: Mesdames J. Brotman, A. Iscovitch, D. Cuttler, R. Rosenthal, R. Landsman, G. Fraiberg, S. Lazare, A. Erdle, G. I. Brownstein, M. Samit, J. Erdle, M. Glinick, Misses Ethel Trachtenberg, Essie Iscovitch, Shirley Stober, Ann Fremeth, Lily Kraft, May Smith, Nettie Zuckerman, Irma Brownstein, and Florence David, of Sydney, N.S.

Miss Fay Goresky, 4547 de Bullion Street, fiancee of Moe Goldberg, 25 Bagg Avenue, and a bride-elect of June 20, was entertained at a tea, with over thirty guests present, by her aunt, Mrs. H. Turner, and her cousins, Misses Pearl, Libby, and Ruth Turner, 5626 Park Avenue. Miss Sarah Goresky, sister of the bride-elect, poured the tea at a table decorated with a centrepiece of red roses. The bride-elect was presented with a Silex coffee set and tray. Mrs. J. Goresky, mother of the bride-elect, wore a grey dress; Mrs. R. Goldberg, mother of the groom-elect, a green dress; Mrs. Turner, a flowered-print crepe dress; Miss Pearl Turner, a black crepe dress; Miss Libby Turner, a navy-blue and rose-colored two-tone dress; and Miss Ruth Turner, a blue jersey dress. Miss Sarah Goresky wore a blue dress trimmed in white; and the honoree, a grey dressmaker suit, with a pink blouse, a grey felt hat, trimmed with pink ribbon, and a corsage of pink carnations.

Miss Frances Waxman, 6115 Durocher Avenue, fiancee of Herbie Goodis, 4858 Jeanne Mance Street, and bride-elect of September 15, was entertained at a tea by her mother, Mrs. Nathan Waxman, at the Queen's Hotel, with fifty guests. Mrs. Waxman wore an American Beauty-colored dress, with the bodice embroidered in colored sequins; a black hat with flower trimming, black accessories, and a corsage of white roses. Mrs. Jack Goodis, mother of the groom-elect, wore a black dress, hat, and accessories, with a corsage of red roses. Miss Waxman wore a black dress, trimmed with black applique, cut with a high neckline and cap sleeves; a pink flowered hat, and long pink gloves, and a corsage of pink carnations. The table was decorated with a centrepiece of variegated flowers. The bride-elect was presented with a blue and gold-colored satin comforter with cushions to match.

HIAS

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At its Ellis Island bureau, 8,481 inquiries on detained immigrants and other immigration matters were answered, Mr. Asofsky reported, and its Washington Bureau handled 2,723 matters dealing chiefly with visas. The Philadelphia branch assisted in 1,460 miscellaneous matters requiring the attention of the Central Office of the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Another service cited in the report was the location department for finding missing relatives abroad, through which a total of 14,029 persons were traced in Europe, and [illegible] families in this [illegible] alone [illegible] inquiries on location matters were answered.

The HIAS remittance bureau received 46,756 inquiries on procedures in sending abroad financial remittances and packages, and professional consultants at its personal service bureau answered 205,097 questions on immigration and naturalization, Mr. Asofsky added.

Copies of about one hundred Nazi documents pertaining to the life and death of the Jews in the Eastern European territories under German occupation were previously sent by the Yiddish Scientific Institute, Yivo, to Justice Robert Jackson. Of these, a number of originals, being held by the Yivo, was requested to be used against the Nazi defense now proceeding at the trial. All these documents indicate the responsibility of Alfred Rosenberg for the crimes committed against the Jewish people in the territory under his control.

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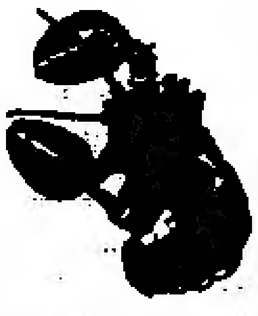

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Montreal Meetings

● Mrs. Harold Newman, Advertising Manager of the Canadian Jewish Review, will speak on "Mother's Business" over the Trans-Canada Network of C.B.C. on Wednesday, May 29, at 4:15 p.m. In this weekly series, which will continue into the autumn, speakers will be mothers from all walks of life throughout Canada, who will discuss the practical techniques of building happy family life. Giving one of four talks arranged in Montreal by Dr. Jean [illegible], Talks Producer for the Quebec Region, Mrs. Newman will speak of the special problems of the professional woman and her devices for keeping the family happy and the home bright, and for finding ways of spending enough time together.

● ZIONIST ORDER HABONIM twenty-second annual convention takes place on May 24-26, at Camp Hakoah, Trout Lake. Program: Friday, at 5.00 p.m., registration; 8.30 p.m., Hebrew session, Keren Hatarbut; Saturday, 9.00 a.m., religious services, Sam. Beloff, Cantor N. Remenick; unveiling of memorial tablet, Rabbi Jesse Schwartz; address, Chaim Sarog, education director, Y.M.H.A. of Montreal; 12.30 p.m., luncheon, chairman, R. H. Everett; address, Harry Batshaw, K.C., Eastern vice-president, Zionist Organization; 2.30 p.m., open forum, chairman, Sam. Jacobson, of Halifax, N.S.; 4.00 p.m., tea for women and visitors, hostess, Mrs. H. L. Bourkes; 6.30 p.m., dinner, chairman, Frank Budovitch; 8.00 p.m., opening session, invocation, L. J. Shine; formal opening, Nathan Gaisin, chairman, Convention Arrangements Committee; presidential address, Joseph N. Frank; greetings: Rabbi J. Schwartz; Canadian Hadassah, Mrs. A. Raginsky, Sr.; Labour Zionist Movement, M. Dickstein; Canadian Young Judaea, Max Bookman; reception; Sunday, 10 a.m., business session, J. N. Frank, chairman; minutes, S. Druker; report, A. Ballington, national treasurer; report of national secretary, B. Figler. Report of Credentials Committee, I. J. Wainer; Constitution, B. L. Cohen; 12.00 noon, luncheon, W. Zimmerman, of Toronto, chairman; address, M. Garber, K.C., national vice-president, Zionist Organization; 2.00 p.m., Report of Resolutions Committee, R. A. Kanigsberg; Nominations, M. M. Grover; address by new president.

● BIALYSTOKER CENTRE third annual banquet and installation, on Sunday, May 26, at 6.30 p.m., at Chevra Shaas Congregation, 4170 St. Urbain Street, will hear H. M. Caiserman, general secretary of the Canadian Jewish Congress, speak on "Bialystok, The City Of Poland, As I Saw It." Other speakers: E. Roskies, president; I. Rabinovitch; entertainment, I. Swerdlow, J. Nadler, Prof. J. Rosemarin. Friends invited.

● MIZRACHI, Women's Division, Solomon Liaff Chapter met at the home of Mrs. S. Saltzman, 5297 Jeanne Mance Street; and will meet on May 28, at the home of Mrs. N. Green, 5737 Trans Island Avenue. Schwartzben Chapter met at the home of Mrs. J. Cohen, 4654 Hutchison Street; Senior Chapter, at the home of Mrs. S. Drazin, 4141 Esplanade Avenue. Aviv Chapter closing tea on Wednesday, May 29, will be at the home of Mrs. A. Lugovich, 951 Dunlop Avenue. Young Women's Chapter met at the home of Mrs. J. Filler, 2065 Maplewood Avenue. Sally Finklestein Chapter will meet at the home of Mrs. J. Fogel, 6050 Park Avenue, on May 28.

● SARA LERNER Sewing Circle, at the home of Mrs. S. Weiser, Querbes Avenue, with Mrs. Charles Gromer presiding, donated $25 to the Cancer Fund; $10 to Red Cross. Mesdames Al. Lack and Joseph Kramer assisted. Mrs. N. [illegible] thanked the hostess.

● FEDERATION OF [illegible] Jews of Canada, Women's Division, will meet on Wednesday, May 29, at Beth David Community Hall, with Mrs. S. Abramovitch, Joyce Avenue, as hostess. Mrs. H. Aronovitch, president, will preside.

● HADASSAH Chapters meeting Monday, May 27, at 2.30, are: Adath Israel, closing, at the home of Mrs. H. Gasco, 1482 Lajoie Avenue; Central, at the home of Mrs. J. Weinstein, 258 Willowdale Avenue; Deborah, at the home of Mrs. M. Wasserman, 2843 Willowdale Avenue; Henrietta Szold, at the home of Mrs. H. Kadna, 4390 Maplewood Avenue; Kadimah, at the home of Mrs. S. Sacks, 736 McEachran Avenue; Miriam Brainin Ortenberg, at the home of Mrs. M. Shear, 1212 Van Horne Avenue; Nair Tamid, at the home of Mrs. N. Grossman, 2054 Van Horne Avenue; Queen Esther, at the home of Mrs. M. Berecvitch, 1681 Van Horne Avenue; Rachel Levinson, at Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue, Mrs. B. Levy, hostess; Shoshana, closing, at the home of Mrs. S. Lesnoff, 26 St. Cyrille Avenue; Young Ladies' Zionist, closing, at the home of Mrs. W. Riven, 4667 Bonavista Avenue, with Mrs. A. Raginsky as guest speaker. Chapters meeting Monday, at 8.30, are: Emos Israel, at the home of Mrs. H. Picaison, 304 Querbes Avenue; Shaindel Gordon, at the home of Mrs. S. Kitees, 3952 Drolet Street. Chapter meeting Tuesday, at 2.30, is: Esther Rachel Navurich, at the home of Mrs. A. Cohen, 4306 Lacombe Avenue; Rachel Anna Leavy Chapter Palestine baby layette shower, is on Monday, at 8.30, at the home of Mrs. M. Cooperberg, 680 Wiseman Avenue. Miriam Brainin Ortenberg Chapter luncheon, at Chevra Kadisha Community Hall, had Mrs. A. Klein, 2515 Maplewood Avenue, as hostess, who invited the Sara Lerner Sewing Circle.

● SHAAR HASHOMAYIM Synagogue, Dr. H. Abramowitz, Rabbi; Rabbi E. F. Mandelcorn, Assistant Rabbi: Graduation exercises of the Hebrew and Religious Schools take place on Thursday, May 30, at 6 p.m. Candidates are: Miriam Aaron, Jules Blond, Robert Cohen, Diane Feldman, Janet Frost, Leila Goodman, Robert Hershorn, Brahm Hymes, Louise Kirk, Marilyn Lapedis, Mona Lifshitz, Norma Marks, Frances Morris, Lois Pearson, Lorna Phillips, Eileen Richstone, Myron Rusk, Philip Salomen, Deborah Schwartz, Sheila Schwartz, Jennifer Sheldon, Jacqueline Silberberg, Aline Singerman, Michael Taft, Trina Vineberg, Harriet Weser, June Wilanski, Milton Winston, Phyllis Wolfe, Eleanor Zabitsky. Commemorative awards will be conferred in honour of F/O Moses Lewis Ueber; Flt.-Sgt. Horace David Baittle; Lieut. Gerald Joseph Schwartz; F/O George Lyon Gilbert, D.F.C. At Junior Congregation services, Norma Betty Grover, Bernard Shapiro, Harry Shapiro, Robert Cohen, William Mancison, Frank Nevard, Donald Kirk, Harvey Smith, Bernard Schachter, took part.

● UNITED TALMUD TORAHS of Montreal Inc.: For the annual field day, on Monday, May 27, at Molson's Stadium, at one p.m., timekeepers, judges, and other officials are: Barney Aaron, David Becker, Ben. Beutel, Abraham Bronfman, Joseph S. Caplan, Leon Crestohl, K.C.; A. Gasco, H. Gasco, A. I. Godel, I. Gold, Louis Goldfine, Samuel Hart, Louis Herman, Rubin Leboff, B. Levitt, L. M. Naimer, A. Nissenson, Lazarus Phillips, K.C.; Dr. M. Ratner, Irving Riddell, M. Shuchat, M. Schwartz, Philip Segal, M. Seigler, Samuel Shiff, Sam. Stein, M. Burchin, B. M. Weiner, H. Wolofsky. Endowment Fund contributions from: Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Beutel, on the occasion of their son Austin's bar-mitzvah; Estate of Moses Rosenbloom; Samuel Bagan, in memory of Eli Bagan; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bronfman, on their fortieth wedding anniversary; Estate of Michael Goodman; R. Kanigsberg, in memory of Edith Sarah Kanigsberg; Mr. and Mrs. Abe I. Godel, on their son Morris' bar-mitzvah; Abraham Goldstein.

● HOSPITAL OF HOPE: Units meeting on Monday, May 27, at 8.00 p.m., are: Victory, at the home of Mrs. H. Edgar, 79 McNider Avenue; Tikvah, at the home of Mrs. J. Weiser, 1132 St. Viateur Street West. At 2.30 p.m.: Sara B. Stein, at the home of Mrs. J. Blay, 953 Davaar Avenue; elections. Units meeting on Tuesday, at 8.00 p.m.: Chaim Rovzen, at the home of Mrs. J. Binnstock, 4404 Henri Julien Street; Mordecai Baker, at the home of Mrs. M. Newman, 3470 Colonial Street; J. Manolson, at the home of Mrs. A. Strudinsky, 4459 St. Urbain Street, raffle. At 2.30 p.m.: [illegible] Frank, at the home of Mrs. A. Singerman, 615 Champagneur Avenue; Moishe Aron Berlin, at the home of Mrs. M. Berlin, 5417 Esplanade Avenue; Feige Bookman, at the home of Mrs. H. Quint, 4535 de Bullion Street. Mordecai Baker, closing luncheon, at the Mount Royal Hotel, at 1.00 p.m., guest speaker, Dr. D. R. Backer; honorary guest, J. R. Regante; Mrs. S. Cohen, convener. On Thursday, at 8.00 p.m.: Devorah Hinda Medoff, at the home of Mrs. J. Issen, 223 St. Joseph Boulevard West; Israel Mayoff, at 5 Marie Anne Street East, hostesses, Mesdames B. Roach and R. Smith. On Wednesday, June 5, at 8.00 p.m.: Salbel Rubin, at 5 Marie Anne Street East, hostess, Mrs. M. Glitstein, H. Dimand, guest speaker; raffle; J. Manolson Unit, at the home of Mrs. J. Goodman, 6184 Durocher Avenue, elected: Mrs. J. Manolson, honorary president; Mrs. H. Klar, president; others, Mesdames S. Goldman, R. Cammy, C. Baum, A. Eisenberg, M. Rotman, I. Weber, S. Levine, S. Shulemson. Israel Mayoff Unit re-elected Mrs. L. Raim as president, by acclamation; others by acclamation were: Mesdames I. Dash, M. Shetner, M. Mendelsohn, J. Altman, S. Reisler, S. Salter, H. Butters. Unit announcements without names are omitted.

● NATIONAL COUNCIL of Jewish Juniors will install their executive board at their annual mother and daughter party on Monday, May 27, at 8.30 p.m., in the Convention Room of the Mount Royal Hotel. Mrs. Gordon Kenny, retiring senior advisor, will be installing officer. Miss Doris Kert will play the piano. Miss Marilyn Matts is president. Others, Mrs. Henry Dulzow, Mrs. Samuel Dworkin, Misses Bertie Wasserman, Pearl Deutsch, Mildred Niren, Elyse Wyndham, Anita Nemes, Phyllis Glazier, Sarah Urman, Edythe Wolfe, Ethel Yudkovitch, Sheila Shultz, Ruth Miller, Jerry Moscovitch, Trudie Radler, Bea Tanenkin, Evelyn Bernstein, Naomi Bernstein, Bess Wagner, Zelda Fox, Gladys Yanovitch, Bertha Mendelssohn, Mesdames F. Spilberitch, Harry Finkelstein, J. Frankel, S. Deutsch, L. J. Notkin.

● BUKOVINA Ladies' Auxiliary will meet on May 28 at 8.30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. C. Holtzman, 1645 St. Viateur Street West. Mrs. M. Grumet, president, will preside.

● COUNCIL OF WARSAW Jews, Women's Division, will meet on May 28, 8.30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. A. Greenberg, 4653 Hutchison Street. Mrs. I. Blatt, president, will preside. Friends invited.

● BETH MOISHE Congregation Sisterhood met at 5417 Park Avenue, with Mrs. S. Rogers, as hostess. Mrs. B. Tallman, president, presided. Mrs. M. Goodman thanked the hostess. Buffet supper and closing meeting on Tuesday, May 28, at 8.30 p.m.

● BNAI BRITH Young Women Mount Royal Chapter Number [illegible], executive meeting took place at the home of Miss Lily Heller, [illegible] Clark Street, with Miss Ann [illegible], vice-president, presiding. Present were: Miss Sonia Leonoff, president; Mrs. M. Bafinsky, junior adviser; Misses Anita [illegible], Minnie Quint, Sadie and Lily [illegible].

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BASSEL-BROWNS

The marriage of Miss Merle [illegible] Browns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Browns, 948 Du[illegible] Avenue, to Leo Bassel, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Bassel, 4606 Wellington Street, Verdun, took place at Adath Israel Synagogue, on May 1, at six o'clock, Rabbi G. [illegible] officiating, assisted by Rev. M. Mendelsohn and Cantor [illegible] Goldberger. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a Victorian gown of bridal satin, fashioned with an off-the-shoulder neckline, long pointed sleeves, fitted bodice and a draped skirt and [illegible] train. Her long tulle [illegible]

[illegible] the groom, as flower-girl, [illegible] frock of pale [illegible] and matching shirred [illegible] bonnet, and carried a bouquet of sweetheart roses and [illegible]. Manuel L. Lazare was best man, and the ushers were: [illegible] Bassel, and Peter Bassel, brothers of the groom; Jack Tre[illegible], uncle of the bride; and Irwin [illegible] Norman Glickman, cousins of the bride. The synagogue was decorated with [illegible] and standards of [illegible] gladioli, [illegible], and [illegible] fern. The head table had a [illegible] wedding [illegible] with white [illegible] and a centrepiece of [illegible] and [illegible], and the other [illegible] had centrepieces of snapdragons and sweet peas. Mrs. [illegible], mother of the bride, [illegible] in a floor-length gown of [illegible]-blue crepe, with [illegible] trimming; hat of grey and [illegible] taffeta, with grey veiling [illegible] flowers, and a corsage of [illegible] with Mrs. Bassel, [illegible] of the groom, in a [illegible] with [illegible] trimming, [illegible], and a corsage [illegible]. The bride and [illegible] spent their honeymoon in [illegible] York State and Connecticut, [illegible] travelling in a grey [illegible] dress, matching hat, and tan accessories. They [illegible] at 8604 Van Horne Avenue. Out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Max Novick, Mr. and Mrs. George Gordon, Robert Novick, and Miss Emma Trebub, all of Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Anna Gandelman, of New Haven, Conn.; Miss Pearl Browns, of Los Angeles, Cal.; Mr. and Mrs. John Elowey, of New York; and Mr. and Mrs. M. Engelberg, of Ottawa, Ont.

COHEN-SMOFSKY

The marriage of Bernice Sylvia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Smofsky, 4648 Kingston Avenue, to Samuel Ernest Cohen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cohen, 4844 Victoria Avenue, took place at Shaare Zion Synagogue, on Tuesday, April 30, at six o'clock, Rabbi Julius Berger officiating, assisted by Cantor S. Miller. The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a long white slipper-satin gown, with a [illegible] neckline [illegible]

[illegible] of the bride, was matron of honor. She wore an aquamarine-blue crepe dinner gown, with matching long lace mittens, and a coral-colored ostrich plume headdress, and carried a sheaf of spring flowers. The bridesmaids were: Mrs. Irving Small, of Portland, Maine, sister-in-law of the bride, in blue net over taffeta, with a blue net toque; Mrs. Sol. Selkowitz, of Portland, cousin of the bride, in lime-colored net over taffeta, with a lime-colored net toque; Miss Lillian Cohen, sister of the groom, in dusty-pink silk moire, with a tight-fitting bodice, full skirt, and a matching bolero; and a fuchsia-colored net toque; and Mrs. Mark Weiner, sister of the groom, in fuchsia-colored net over taffeta, with a blue net toque. They all had matching gloves and shoes, and carried bouquets of spring flowers, with matching ribbon streamers. Mr. Cohen, brother of the groom, was best man, and the ushers were: Lawrence Small, of Boston, Mass., and Irving Small, of Portland, Maine, brothers of the bride; Sol. Selkowitz, of Portland, Maine; Mark Weiner, brother-in-law of the groom; Aubrey Smofsky, brother of the bride, and her cousin, Larry Smofsky; Allan Rich[illegible], and Max Fetofsky. Tall standards of spring flowers decorated the altar, which was banked with ferns and palms; and the pews were tied with white ribbons. Miss Lila Brest sang "O, Promise Me", accompanied at the piano by Lawrence [illegible] and Ruth, who played the piano during the dinner, and conducted for dance music afterwards. For the reception in the hall, the bride's table was adorned with spring flowers and ferns, with candelabra, and the other tables held bouquets of spring flowers. Mrs. Smofsky, mother of the bride, wore a floor-length grey crepe gown, with a small flower hat, trimmed with fuchsia-colored and grey dots; and she had fuchsia-colored accessories, and a corsage of Talisman roses; with Mrs. Cohen, mother of the groom, in a floor-length blue crepe gown, with a matching hat, trimmed with sequin embroidery, a small hat of pink and blue flowers, and black accessories, with a corsage of pink Tea roses. The couple left for New York; Boston, Mass.; Atlantic City, N.J., and Washington, D.C., Mrs. Cohen travelling in a grey suit and coat, with a sheer blue blouse, grey open-crown flowered hat, and black accessories, with a corsage of white roses. They will live on Kingston Avenue. Wedding guests from out-of-town were: Miss Etta Nelson, of Yarmouth, N.S.; Mr. and Mrs. Irving Small, Mr. and Mrs. H. Nelson and son, Bruce; Mr. and Mrs. Sol. Selkowitz, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nelson and son, Donald, all of Portland, Maine; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Small and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Henick, of Boston, Mass.; Mrs. B. Decper and Mrs. F. Levy, of Los Angeles, Cal.; Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Smofsky and Mr. and Mrs. M. Ditcoff, of New York.

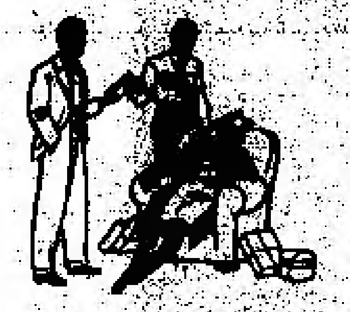
BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. William Bercovitch (nee Ann Lehner), Hutchison Street, a son, David Jonathan, brother of Irene and Joyce, at the Jewish General Hospital, on April 17; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. Lehner, Hutchison Street. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Margolis, Drolet Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Sol. Krupp (nee Beatrice Brownstein), 484 Willowdale Avenue, a son, Howard Alan, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on April 8; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Avenue; and of Mrs. [illegible] Krupp, Willowdale Avenue, and the late H. Krupp; great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. L. Brownstein, Esplanade Avenue. Godparents are Miss Natalie Lupovich, Lajoie Avenue; and Harold Brownstein, Wilderton Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Midvidy (nee Sarah Silver), 3779 Laval Avenue, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on April 19, a son, William Isaac, brother of Leonor; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Silver, 3775 Laval Avenue; and of the late Mr. and Mrs. William I. Midvidy. The godparents are: Hyman Silver, St. Urbain Street; and Miss Barbara Rosen, Nelson Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lazarovitz (nee Margaret Herscovici), of Quebec City, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on April 29, a daughter, Elisha Lynn, sister of Julia Anne; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Herscovici, Hartland Avenue; and of Mrs. L. Lazarovitz, of Quebec City; and great-granddaughter of J. Herscovici, Park Avenue.



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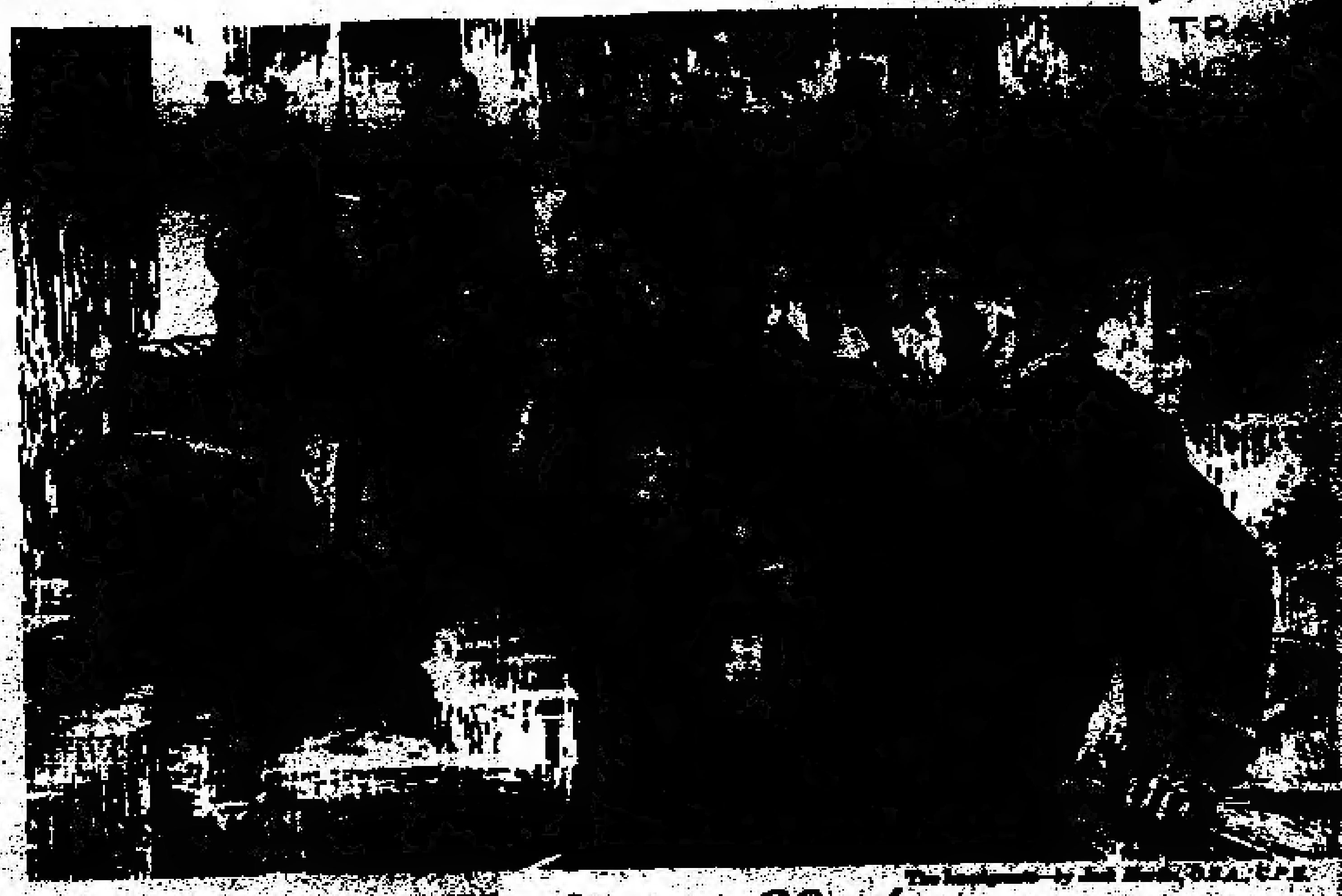

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Priest And Boy He Saved Meet In New York

Henry Weinstock, a rose-cheeked Jewish lad of twelve, once known to German occupation authorities in Belgium by the Gallic name of "Henri Gerard", renewed friendship in New York with a Catholic priest who, in 1942, saved him from the Gestapo.

Their reunion resulted from a news story and photograph in the New York Herald Tribune.

Friendship of the two began in May, 1942, when Eugene Weinstock, a Brussels cabinet maker [illegible] the boy to Father [illegible] Froidure, head of the [illegible] "Station de Plein Air" (fresh air camps for underprivileged children).

Father Froidure, a major in the Belgian Air Force reserves, took the child into his home for three weeks. He obtained through the Belgian underground new identity papers which concealed Henry's Jewish heritage, and the boy went to one of the fresh air camps. Before the year ended, the priest was seized by the Gestapo—a Belgian parachutist betrayed him under torture—but not before he had hidden 300 children sought by the Gestapo.

The priest was sent to Dachau. Next year, Henry's father was arrested and sent to Buchenwald. Both were liberated in 1945 by Allied forces.

When his father was freed last May, Henry was reunited with him in Brussels. Together they planned to come to America, where they have relatives; Henry's grandmother, Mrs. Hannah Weinstock, lives at 609 West 173rd Street, New York. They arrived on the freighter Belgian Unity from Antwerp.

They were met by Morris Weinstock, a brother of Henry's father, who knew something of the story of Henry and the priest. In the Herald Tribune that day he read of the priest's presence in New York in connection with a drive to raise $1,000,000 for 20,000 Belgian children orphaned and invalided by war, and he showed the newspaper [illegible] claimed.

Arrangements were subsequently made for them to meet at the Belgian Economic Mission, 630 Fifth Avenue. The meeting was unemotional. The priest, wearing his Army uniform, and the boy, wearing a brown plaid knicker suit with a box of chewing gum showing in his breast pocket, kissed on the cheek several times for photographs.

While the priest told their story, Henry and his father gazed out a thirtieth-story window at New York City's vastness. His grandmother kept her eyes on him.

"I can't thank the Father enough for saving my grandchild," she said in Yiddish. "I can't thank him enough."

Henry was drawn from the window long enough to help the priest demonstrate a simple form of Gestapo torture in which a person's arms are tied behind and below the knees and the head is held down.

Before Henry returned to the window, some one asked him how he liked New York. His brown eyes flashed as he answered: "Tres bien."

POLES SALUTE ZIONIST FLAG

Marshal Rola-Zymierski and generals of the Polish Army saluted the Zionist blue-white flag as it was carried in procession by members of the Polish Poalei Zion past the Government and Diplomatic stand. The occasion was a parade in Stettin to celebrate the anniversary of the crossing of the Oder by Polish troops. Russian generals present also saluted the Zionist flag.

This is the first time in Polish history that the display of the Zionist flag has been permitted at a demonstration of this kind, and the appearance of the flag was greeted by applause from many of the spectators.

At a military parade which formed part of the celebrations in the new Polish territories in Western Pomerania, Marshal Rola-Zymierski, in swearing-in the newly-formed 12th Infantry Division, made use, for the first time, of the new military oath of allegiance, which introduces the principle of equality of citizenship. The new oath binds soldiers "to defend the Fatherland and [illegible] to abide by and uphold the principle of the democracy, liberty, and equality of all Polish citizens."

This innovation has been [illegible] welcomed, and Army [illegible]

Celebrates 100th Birthday

Isaac Moses Blankfort, who celebrated his 100th birthday, in New York, declared casually that he would "live to be 150 with ease." His son, Henry, with whom he is living at 275 Central Park West, was not surprised by his father's prediction.

"I wouldn't be at all surprised", he said. "My father has a formula which keeps him alive. It includes moderation in everything, and when it comes to liquor, tobacco, or cigarettes the formula excludes them completely."

Born in Poland, the elder Mr. Blankfort, who is just five feet tall and weighs 115 pounds, came to this country when he was 20 years old. He became principal of a Hebrew school he started and taught there until he was 75 and the school was disbanded. Since then he has been living with his son.

Mr. Blankfort, still spry and able to read without glasses, has not left the apartment in which he lives for [illegible] years. Instead, he sits on a [illegible] and reads Hebrew books. [illegible]

Gift Supplies Pour Into Depot

A pound of relief for each of Europe's 1,400,000 surviving Jews was reached at Mount Vernon, N.Y., in a tally of food, clothing and medical supplies contributed so far in a nation-wide drive.

The S. O. S. (Supplies for Overseas Survivors) national depot on South MacQuesten Parkway bears witness to the response of the nation. Bolts of wool from Maine, canned food from Carolina, medical supplies from Oregon, toys and soap from Ohio—these are typical of the fifteen tons of goods arriving daily in response to an appeal made by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, 270 Madison Avenue, New York.

The Committee, conducting the S. O. S. appeal in cooperation with sixteen Jewish organizations, has set a goal of 20,000,000 pounds. The drive is headed by Robert Dolins, formerly with the War Relocation Authority.

Almost anything is apt to turn up on the conveyor belts where contributions are sorted, prior to being baled or boxed for shipment abroad. White shirts, bolts of suit material, women's hosiery might be difficult to find in stores, but they are often found among the donations. G. I. underwear, messenger-boy uniforms, silk pyjamas and child's crutches will likewise leave the depot to help the war's victims.

The incoming goods are divided into seven categories: Foodstuffs; children's items, such as toys, pencils and sweaters; baby layettes; household supplies, such as blankets, sheets and towels; clothing; medical supplies, including adhesive tape, aspirin and vitamins; and comfort items, such as candles, combs, cosmetics, mirrors, razors and soap.

Despite the variety of goods, less than 100 pounds of the 1,400,000 pounds already processed has been discarded as unworthy of shipment, according to William Duncanson, maintenance manager of the depot. The processing is conducted in a large warehouse beside tracks of the New York Central Railroad, while two smaller warehouses nearby are used for packaging the goods and storing them.

The warehouses were used for processing lend-lease supplies during the war and have ample facilities. Many time-saving devices, including an automatic nail-driver for making wooden boxes, expedite packaging operations. Another machine makes the baling of packed clothing into neat, sturdy bundles a simple operation.

In addition to contributed supplies, the Committee has purchased, through funds given by the United Jewish Appeal, food items for 50,000 special gift boxes destined for displaced persons camps in Europe. In each box are fourteen articles, including coffee, tea, corned beef, candy, prunes and baby food.

PLAN JEWISH "BOOK OF KNOWLEDGE"

A Jewish "Book of Knowledge", a popular encyclopedia for children, is planned for publication by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, it was announced by Dr. Emanuel Gamoran, director of the Union's Commission on Jewish Education, who will be editor of the encyclopedia.

"This new children's encyclopedia," said Dr. Gamoran, "will fill a void that has long troubled Jewish educators. Popular in conception, although thoroughly trustworthy in the scholarship, this new project of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations will be in a style readable enough for children to turn to it for recreational and cultural needs, as well as for research purposes. The children's Jewish 'Book of Knowledge' will be beautifully illustrated, utilizing some of the new techniques employed in the so-called picture books."

The Jewish "Book of Knowledge" will be published under the auspices of the Commission on Jewish Education, of which Dr. Solomon B. Freehof, of Pittsburgh, Pa., is the Chairman. The Commission is jointly sponsored by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

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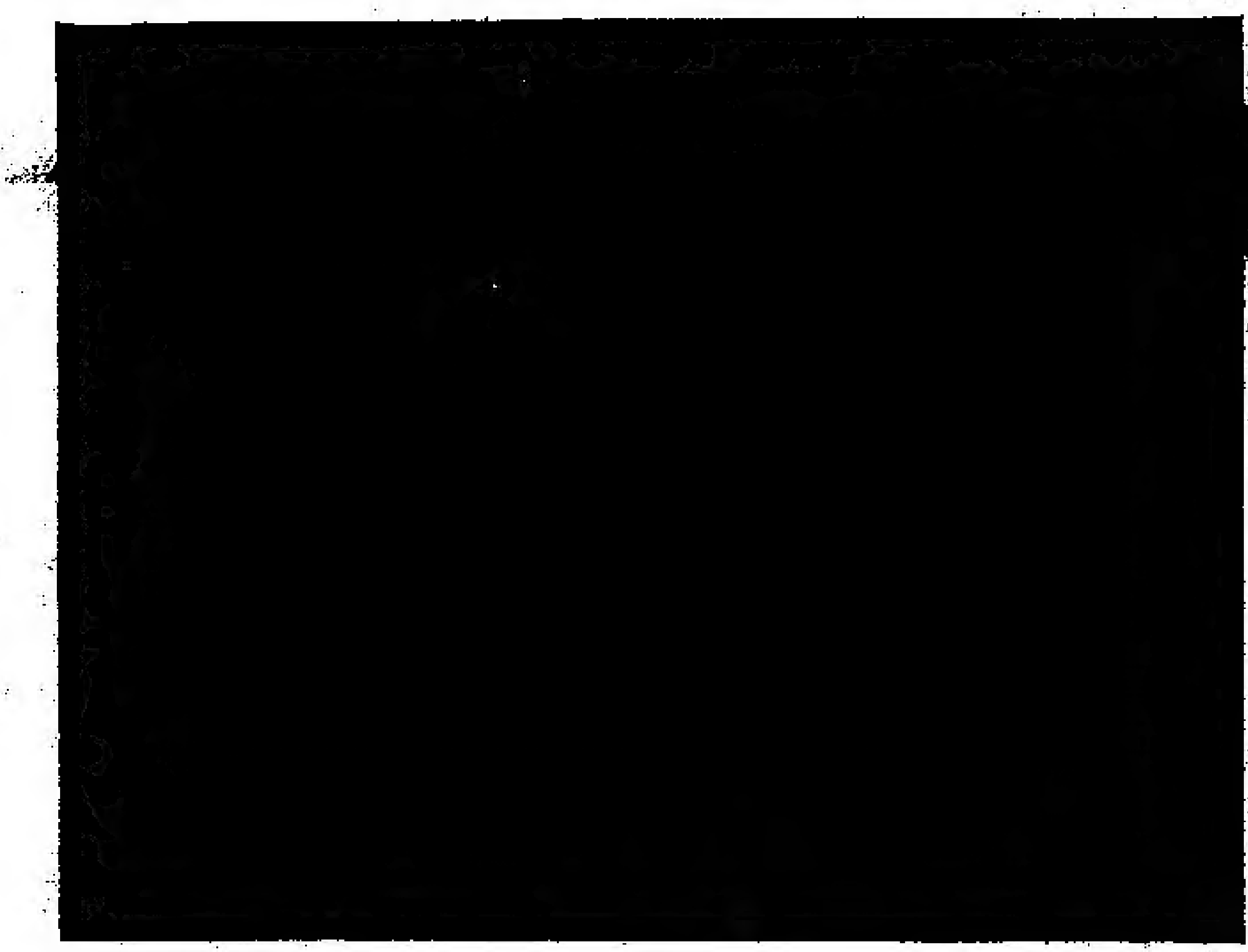

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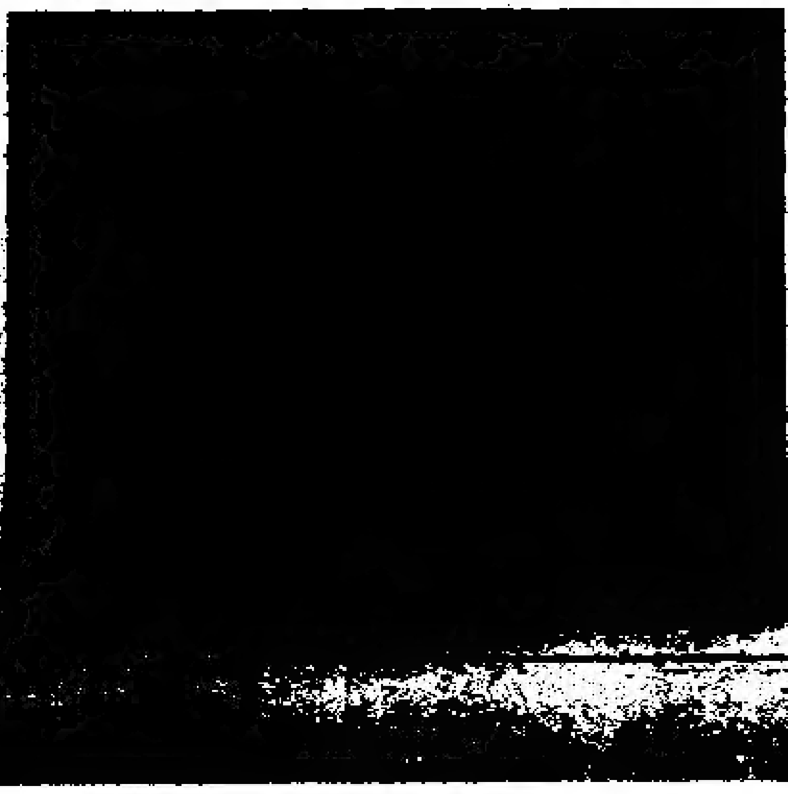

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[illegible] E. Weltman, 384 Spa[illegible] and M. Berman, 100 [illegible] Street, were hostesses at [illegible] Murray House, for Miss [illegible] Weltman, a bride-elect of [illegible] fiancee of Abe Berman. [illegible] Weltman, in a black draped [illegible] trimmed with sequins, and [illegible] of red roses, was assisted [illegible] Berman, in a grey crepe [illegible] with red roses; Mrs. J. [illegible], in a powder-blue dress, [illegible] with red and yellow [illegible] and a corsage of red roses; [illegible] Lily Weltman, in a [illegible] crepe dress; Ruth Berman, [illegible] black dress, embroidered with [illegible] and blue; and Betty Berman, [illegible] pale blue dress; Mrs. S. Kal[illegible], wearing a royal blue dress, [illegible] red roses; Mrs. W. Pelman, [illegible] pale blue dress, trimmed with [illegible] and matching flowers in her [illegible]; and Mrs. G. Kalender in a [illegible]-piece blue wool dress. The hon[illegible] wore a black crepe dress, with [illegible]green trimming, and red roses [illegible] her hair. The centre table was [illegible] with roses. There were [illegible]-two guests present.

Mrs. E. Hoffman, 3 Delevan Avenue, entertained at the Vanity Fair Room at the King Edward Hotel, at a cocktail party and luncheon for her daughter, Betty, whose marriage to Louis Ritter, of Mattawa, takes place on September 10. Mrs. Hoffman wore a black and white afternoon dress, a white hat, and a corsage of red roses, and was assisted by Miss Ruth Ritter, of Mattawa, in a grey crepe dress, with a corsage of pink roses; Mrs. J. Hoffman, in a black skirt with a black and white checked houndstooth jacket and a corsage of Talisman roses; and Mrs. S. Walser, of North Bay, in a flowered silk dress, with a corsage of Talisman roses. The honoree was dressed in a black and white dress, a white flowered hat, and a corsage of white roses. There were twelve guests at the head table, which held as a centrepiece a large design of spring flowers, surrounded by pink and white candles. There were one hundred and fifteen guests present, those from out-of-town being: Mesdames P. Weiss, M. Turk, and S. Rosengarten and daughter, Faye, all of Buffalo, N.Y.; Mrs. S. Walser, of North Bay; and Miss Ruth Ritter, of Mattawa.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Graham, [illegible] Claremont Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty, to Joseph Zoberman, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Zoberman, Grace Street.

The engagement of Miss Eva Cohen, 136 Borden Street, to Isadore Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Wilson, 680 Dundas Street West, is announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Kamen, 484 Huron Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary, to Bernard Slomen, son of Mrs. Faye Slomen, 648 Euclid Avenue, the marriage to take place on June 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Green, King Street West, announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen, to Sydney (Shier) Bossin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Bossin, Peveril Hill Road North.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lichtig, 515 [illegible] Street, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, [illegible], to Alfred A. Fram, [illegible]

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Eisen, 58 Ashburnham Road, announce the engagement of their daughter, Shirley, to Irving Nusinoff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boris Nusinoff, 1188 Dufferin Street, the marriage to take place on June 11, at Goel Tzedec Synagogue.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Schwartz, 25 Millbank Avenue, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Helen, to Wilfred William Salsman, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Salsman, Walmer Road.

BIRTHS

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. Saul Halpern (nee Minette Sacher), of Danville, Ill., a son, on May 10, at the Lakeview Hospital, in Danville; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Sacher, of St. Louis, Missouri) and of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob [illegible], Havelock Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Sydney [illegible] (nee Shirley Gary), 685 [illegible] Avenue, at the Mount Sinai [illegible], on April 8, a son, Lorne [illegible]. Grandparents are Mr. and [illegible] S. Gary, 72 Brunswick Avenue and Mr. and Mrs. C. Gold[illegible], 401 Huron Street.

[illegible], to Mr. and Mrs. Albert [illegible] (nee Ruth Wasserman, formerly of Toronto), of Preston, at [illegible] Sinai Hospital, on May 4, [illegible] Ronald Warren. Grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Wasserman, Brunswick Gardens; and Louis Evans, of Preston.

KILL THREE MISTAKEN FOR JEWS

Mobs incited by Hungarian Nazis and carrying anti-Semitic placards lynched three workmen in Budapest suburbs.

Police fired into a mob in the Pestszenlorinc suburb and saved one man from being hanged after he had been wounded gravely.

The mobs had been aroused by Nazi-spread rumors that Jews were kidnaping Hungarian children and selling their flesh for food. None of the workmen lynched was a Jew, though the mobs apparently thought that all were.

Palestine Doctor Visits Hospitals

Socialized medicine and other social security plans, sponsored by [illegible] of the Palestine cooperative medical association, said in New York.

Dr. Heller, a native of Germany who has been living in Palestine with his wife and two sons since 1934, was interviewed at the Labor Palestine Information Bureau, 45 East Seventeenth Street. In the U. S. since December to study hospital construction and modern medical equipment, he will return to Palestine by the end of June, he said. On his way, he will visit hospitals in England, Switzerland and Sweden.

In his tour of hospitals throughout the United States, Dr. Heller said he was treated with great hospitality by medical leaders. He visited the Mayo Clinic, in Rochester, Minn., and praised it as "very excellent". He pointed out that physicians in that institution get a monthly salary, without patients' fees, as do all doctors working under the socialized medical care program in Palestine.

"Far from causing lack of incentive in our doctors, the socialized plan helps keep their work on a high standard," said Dr. Heller. "Our patients readily make known any complaints which are corrected."

Monthly deductions from the payroll of each member of Histadrut provides for the comprehensive program, including a sick fund, an invalid fund, unemployment insurance, relief funds, old age pensions, and aid for widows and orphans, said Dr. Heller.

How The Synagogue's Position Has Been Weakened

By Rabbi Ahron Opher, of New York

At the last meeting of the Synagogue Council, in submitting my resignation as Assistant to the President, I stated that I had deemed it a signal honor to share in the administration of this body and to work toward the establishment of an effective and dignified united religious spokesmanship for American Jewry. I believe in the validity of the idea of the Synagogue Council. I feel, as all of us do, the need for an organization in Jewish life which will speak the united voice of the synagogue, give a primary religious character to the American Jewish community, enhance its spiritual and moral life, work with the other religious communions in programs of common moral concern, safeguard Jewish beliefs and practices from abuse and defamation, aid in the religious rehabilitation of our brethren abroad and, in general, represent American Jewry as a religious communion in the eyes of the people and the government of the United States.

I feel, however, that there are insurmountable difficulties in effectuating this idea. We are faced with resistance from without and from within in our efforts to build a Synagogue Council that would be as meaningful and as effective in the Jewish community as the Federal Council of Churches is in the Protestant community.

The external hindrances lie in the established structure of the American Jewish community. Historically the leadership of American Jewry came into the hands of secular organizations and individuals who are not of the synagogue. These bodies and individuals have organized a network of institutions and agencies which have for a long time conducted all Jewish philanthropic, communal, political and defense programs and activities which, in the Catholic and Protest[illegible] that the religious institutions of American Jewry have wielded a very insignificant influence in these areas of Jewish communal life. Because of the ineffectiveness and the fragmentation of Jewish religious life in this country, the secular organizations have even encroached upon the areas directly related to the moral and spiritual life of our people.

Interfaith activities, which should presuppose the representation of the faith of Israel alongside the Protestant and Catholic faiths, are actually carried on by the American Jewish Committee, the Anti-Defamation League, the American Jewish Congress, and a variety of other organizations and individuals who appear as spokesmen for Jewish religion.

Religious instruction, both within the Jewish community and in the public educational institutions, is controlled and directed by organizations and people who are not of the synagogue. That is true also of youth work and adult Jewish educational programs, under the direction of the Center movement, the Hillel Foundation, the AZA and similar agencies, which are without the influence of the official religious leadership of the community.

When the government invited religious consultants to the American delegation at the United Nations Conference in San Francisco, the Protestants were represented by the Federal Council of Churches, and the Catholics by the National Catholic Welfare Conference, both of which are the religious spokesmen of these communities, but the Jews were represented by the American Jewish Conference and the American Jewish Committee, which resented the Synagogue Council's presence even in a liaison capacity and demanded its withdrawal from the scene. And nobody, except the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, uttered a word in protest against the public rebuke and [illegible] by the Synagogue Council at the hands of the secular leadership in San Francisco. [illegible]

the Joint Distribution Committee and its work is executed by individuals who are not synagogue Jews and have little concern for the survival of the religion of Israel. This is in sharp contrast to similar programs of relief and rehabilitation of European Christians which the churches of America are conducting and directing.

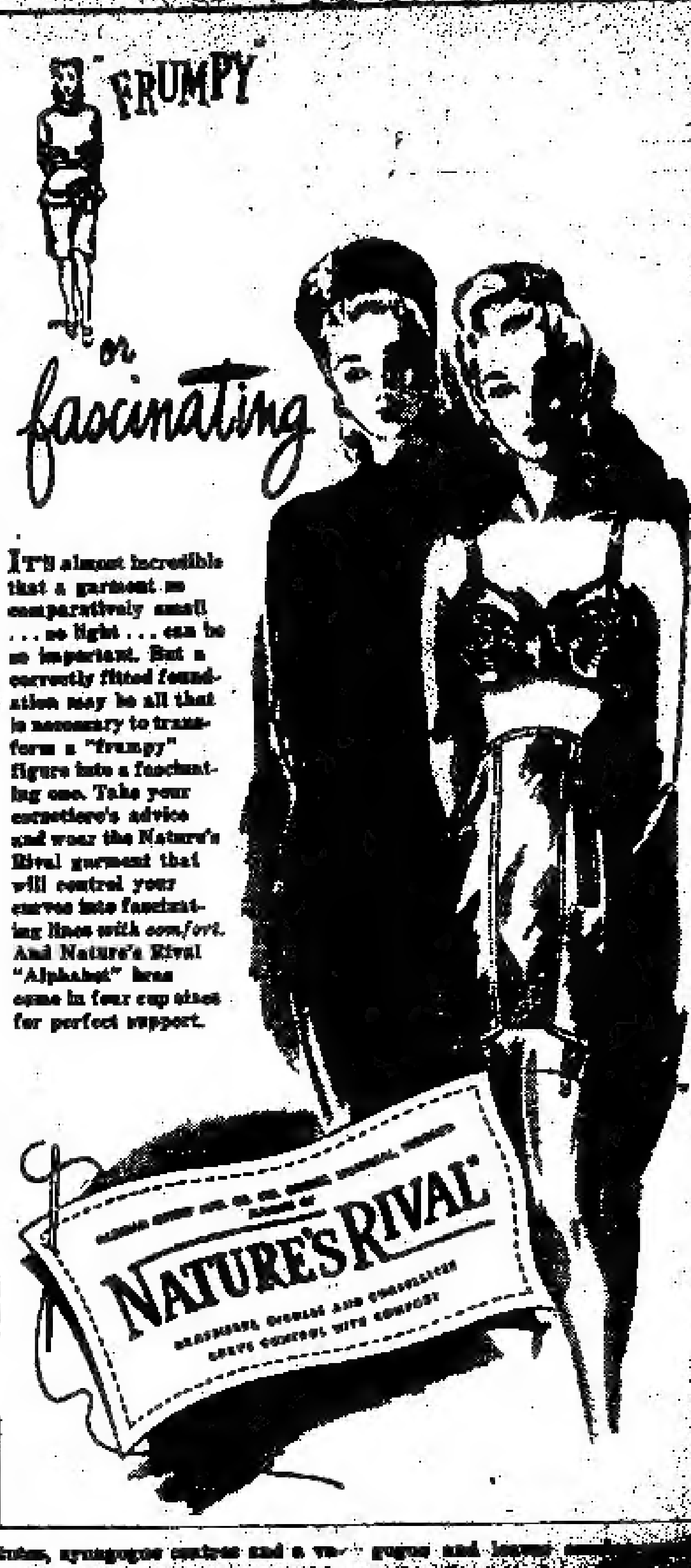
We accept tacitly the strange situation of American Jewish life where the Jewish Welfare Board controls the religious life of our men in the armed services, the ADL is undertaking a program for the enhancement of the *religious and moral* life of American Jews, the American Jewish Committee is presenting Jewish holy day programs on the radio, and the American Jewish Congress is handling religious instruction in the public schools of the country. However effective some of these programs may have been under secular leadership, they have certainly been without the influence of the religious bodies and have become the "vested interest" of agencies outside of the sphere of the synagogue. This has given American Jewry a strictly secular complexion and has contributed to the concept of the Jews as an irreligious group.

The second great difficulty we are facing in making the Synagogue Council an effective and significant body in Jewish life is the competition between the religious groups themselves, each of whom is reluctant to yield to the over-all body some activities which are of a *general* religious nature, but which each, for historical reasons, regards as its exclusive domain. The Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the oldest religious body of American Jewry, has been the sole agency in many areas which should normally be regarded as the purview of the Synagogue Council, and therefore the Union [illegible] with the Council [illegible] in these areas.

This is also true of the younger religious bodies. Every field that is captured by one of the groups is maintained jealously by "right of conquest." Thus religious broadcasts, interdenominational institutes, synagogue centres and a variety of other [illegible] or [illegible] of our communities who refuse to surrender any of their "state rights" to the "federal body."

It is this competition between the religious groups that of course weakens the position of the synagogue and [illegible]

U. S. [illegible] many issued a directive [illegible] kosher slaughtering [illegible] several areas of the American [illegible] following refusal of a large number of religious Jews to eat non-kosher meat.



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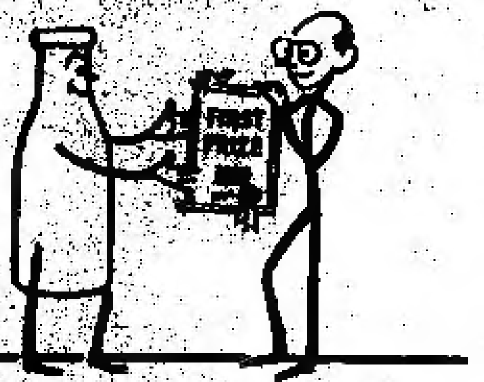

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Dr. and Mrs. Roman [illegible], [illegible] Park Avenue, entertained at a birthday party for their son, Edgar Bertram, who was two years old, brother of David Leonard, aged six. Present were his uncles and aunts, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Haltrecht, Morris Haltrecht, and Mrs. S. B. Bloom; his great-aunt, Mrs. A. Pipersberg; his cousins, David Gordon, Edward, and Earl Haltrecht; Barbara, Brenda and Gerald Pipersberg; and Mrs. F. Gillian, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Baker, Mrs. Charles Shuster, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Matthews, Mrs. L. W. Shore, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Fink, Mrs. M. Feigers, Mrs. A. Alexander, and Mrs. A. Nadeau; and David's friends, Leonard and Stanley Fink, Maurice Feigers, Frances Shuster, Herbert Alexander, Peter Nadeau, Judith and Teddy Matthews, Ruth Ashman, and Sandra Gillish. The large birthday cake was decorated with musical notes, and an inscription reading "Happy Birthday, Edgar Bertram." Moving pictures were taken, and movies were shown.

CLASS IN COOKERY

VEGETABLE MEAT PIE

one pound minced meat	three medium potatoes, boiled
one tin vegetable soup	
one onion	two eggs

Mix minced meat with one egg and ground onion. Add a little matzoh meal if a stiffer mixture is desired. Spread on an oiled pie-plate. Mash the potatoes well with the egg, and some chicken fat, and spread this over the meat. Spread the soup over the potato layer, and bake in a moderate oven for about one hour.

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one-quarter pound butter	one teaspoon vanilla
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one teaspoon baking powder

Cream sugar and butter and add eggs. Add the balance of the ingredients. Spread this batter in a long, shallow greased tin.

Meringue

two egg whites	one-half teaspoon vanilla
one cup brown sugar	one-half cup chopped nuts

Beat egg whites until they are stiff, add sugar and vanilla. Spread this over the batter and sprinkle with nuts. Bake for forty-five minutes in a moderate oven, and cut into small squares.

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Marc Chagall, Pioneer Of Modern Art

The Museum of Modern Art on West 53rd Street recently opened the most comprehensive exhibition of Marc Chagall's work ever held on this continent, covering his pictorial work—paintings and etchings—from 1908 to the present day. Not so long ago the merits and alleged faults of his art were hotly discussed among critics and laymen, some of whom praised him as a sort of Messiah of Modern Art who had saved mankind from the peril of unimaginative realism, while others [illegible] tide has now turned in his favor, and at present Chagall is being hailed as a prince in the realm of modern art and as the most outstanding Jewish painter of our era.

Born near Vitebsk, White Russia, in 1887, he remembers the pogroms that harassed his fellow-Jews in Tsarist Russia; he also recalls that when he went to St. Petersburg, in order to study the arts, he lived there in constant fear of the police, since the influx of Jews into the capital was forbidden. Since those days he has been an ardent foe of totalitarianism, and he continued to loathe it and fight against it when tyranny rose again in Europe under the name of fascism.

On the other hand, Chagall, who stemmed from a Hassidic family, was deeply impressed by the intrinsic beauty of Orthodox Jewish life, especially by the dignity and solemnity of the religious rites and customs. Though he spent the better part of his life far away from his native place — in Germany, France and, since June, 1941, in America — most of his paintings are crowded with the memories of his youth, the *shtetel* (small town) with its *shul* (synagogue) and bearded Jews in long gaberdines, the women going to and from the market, the children strolling to the *heder* (religious school). He exclaimed, however, some years ago: "I owe all that I have achieved to Paris, to France, whose nature, people, the very air, are the true school of my life and art." But Vitebsk furnished him with all the mysticism and passion that comes forth whether he paints old Talmudists or a bunch of flowers. Like the giant wrestler of Greek mythology, Antaeus, he is invincible as an artist as long as he clings to his ground—the soil of Judaism.

Chagall's anti-Fascism does not reveal itself in satirical cartoons like those made by William Gropper or Arthur Szyk. It is his personal [illegible] there is sadness [illegible] is never the agony of unrelieved despair.

In that famous painting, *My Village*, the poverty-stricken cottages and barns of wood are lifted from reality by joyfully bright colors, so to speak, the trees seems to penetrate the sky with its fantastically shaped clouds, and the Jew who drives a goat before him appears to be floating in the air. If Chagall paints a beggar in snow, he put a fiddle in his hands, and if he sets a mournful rabbi on the canvas, he adds to this symbol of sorrow an innocent white cow, a symbol of the peace of the Universe. Or think of his large canvas entitled *Revolution*. One side of the picture is crammed with peasants at war, the other side with peasants at peace; in the center a moody rabbi is sitting, a samovar is boiling in the snow, a man is standing upside down on one hand so he can hold up a flag with his foot—does all that make sense? Not to a philistine, perhaps. Yet people who do not seek only photographic truthfulness in painting, will read a message from the canvas: the world has gone topsy-turvy, but it is still a good world, for man is essentially good, man is a grown-up child, preferring the boisterous atmosphere of carnival, come what may.

Chagall's work has gained recognition all over the world, but it was verboten in Nazi Germany. In the first place because the painter is Jewish, in the second place because the Nazi critics could not possibly appreciate his sense of humor, his humanity, his depth. More than one-third of his paintings that had been confiscated by the Nazis [illegible]

Swiss laughed at this execution, and enjoyed the opportunity of seeing Chagall's masterpieces.

The artist is a quiet, soft-spoken man with a halo of gray and kind, sparkling eyes. Though he could have gone back to liberated Paris, he preferred to continue working in the United States where he was received with the utmost reverence and cordiality.

In addition to canvases he did work for the Metropolitan Opera. When Stravinsky's *The Firebird* was performed, it was the aged refugee artist, and not the dancer, that stole the show. Wrote the *New York Times* about the scenery and costumes designed by Chagall:

"They are overwhelming, and in [illegible] questioning authority as to an appearance of [illegible]. In such a world creatures of a [illegible] move without being [illegible] tragic . . ."

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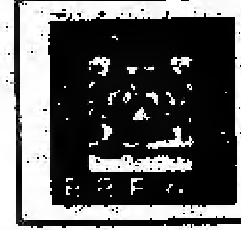

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[illegible] engagement of Miss Rose [illegible], 59 Marie Anne Street East, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. M. Rabinovitch, of Hamilton, Ont., to Saul Meltzer, Laval Avenue, son of A. Meltzer, and the late Mrs. A. Meltzer, is announced.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Roth, 740 [illegible]field Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sylvia, to Harold, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. Falkin, of Hamilton, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Turner, 5625 Park Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Libby, to Harvey, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. [illegible], of Ottawa, Ont., who returned from overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rappaport, [illegible] de Bullion Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, [illegible], to Sydney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Friedberg, 4810 Clark Street, the wedding to take place October 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shufman, [illegible] Esplanade Avenue, announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Irene, to Samuel, only son of Mrs. M. Novitz, 6969 St. [illegible] Street, and the late M. [illegible]

Mr. and Mrs. Ely Bennett, Dra[illegible] Avenue, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Ruth, to [illegible], son of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Stattner, Hingston Avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Stattner, Hingston Avenue, announce the engagement of their twin daughter, Mildred, to Sy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Halpern, of Clifton, N.J. Mr. Halpern was discharged from the American Army after serving for four and a half years in India and Burma.

APPROACHING MARRIAGES

The approaching marriage of Sadie, daughter of J. Jakin, Darlington Avenue, and the late Mrs. J. Jakin, to Earl B. Wexler, son of Mrs. M. Wexler, and the late M. Wexler, is announced; the marriage to take place on June 23, at Rabbi M. Master's Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Fishman, of Wynyard, Sask., announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Mildred, to Lazare, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Wineblatt, [illegible] Northcliffe Avenue; the wedding to take place on July 14.

MARSH-HOFFMAN

The marriage of Miss Peggy Ann Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hoffman, 82 Elk Avenue, New Rochelle, N.Y., to Stanley Alan Marsh, son of Mrs. Sandor H. Marsh, 3423 Prud'homme Avenue, and the late Mr. Marsh, took place at the home of the bride's parents, in the garden, on Wednesday, May 1, at five o'clock, Dr. Gabriel Shulman, of New York, officiating. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an ivory-colored satin gown, fashioned with a sweetheart neckline, trimmed with heirloom lace; long sleeves, fitted bodice, and a full skirt, ending in a train. Her rose-point lace veil, which her mother had at her wedding, was trimmed with orange blossoms, and she carried a bouquet of white roses and gardenias. Mrs. Edgar R. Stix, 2nd, sister of the bride, of New York, as matron of honor, wore a long blue organdy gown, and matching headdress, and carried an old-fashioned bouquet. Mrs. Murry Hoffberg, of New Rochelle, N.Y., cousin of the groom; and Miss Barbara Hoffman, of New Rochelle, N.Y., sister of the bride, as bridesmaids, both wore long pink gowns and matching headdresses, and carried old-fashioned bouquets. Edward Marsh, brother of the groom, of Montreal, was best man; and the ushers were: Ralph Marsh, brother of the groom, of Montreal; Murry Hoffberg and Edgar R. Stix, 2nd. The house was decorated with fresh spring flowers. Mrs. Hoffman, mother of the bride, received in a blue dress, and a corsage of Tea roses; with Mrs. Marsh, mother of the groom, in a grey dress, and a corsage of American Beauty roses. The bride and groom spent their honeymoon in Niagara Falls, N.Y. They are living at 3423 Prud'homme Avenue. Stanley Marsh served for over four years in the U.S.A.A.F., as a sergeant, over two years of which were served in the Eastern and Mid-Eastern theatres of war.

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BAR-MITZVAHS

Mr. and Mrs. L. Neiss, 582 Davaar Avenue, announce the bar-mitzvah of their son, Alvin, who will be called to the Reading of the Law, on Saturday, June 1, at Adath Israel Synagogue. Friends invited. No cards.

Cards Of Thanks

The family of the late Jacob Myerson wish to thank their relatives and friends for their kindnesses shown during their recent sad bereavement.

Mrs. Harry Sheftman wishes to extend her deep gratitude to her relatives and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy and condolence during the recent death of her brother, Morris Clamer.

The family of the late Mrs. Louis Gurberg thank their relatives and friends for their kindness during her illness, and their bereavement.

UNVEILINGS

An unveiling of a tombstone in memory of the late Mrs. J. Lande will take place on Sunday, May 26, at Chevra Kadisha Cemetery, at eleven a.m. Friends and relatives invited to attend.

An unveiling of a monument to the late Mrs. Rose Posluns will take place on Sunday, May 26, at 11:00 a.m., at Shloime Abeikir Cemetery, Cartierville. Friends and relatives invited. In case of rain, the unveiling will be postponed to the following Sunday, at 11 a.m.

DEATHS

Jacob Myerson died on May 9, at his home, 256 Laurier Avenue West. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Rose Myerson; five sons, Hyman, Barney, of Cleveland, Ohio; William, Larry, Louis; one daughter, Mrs. A. Myerson (Ray); eleven grandchildren, Mrs. A. Bragman, of Detroit, Mich.; Kenneth and Teddy Myerson, of Cleveland, Ohio; Allen, Leonard, and Linda Myerson; Arnold Myerson, Harold Myerson, Samuel and Thelma Myerson, and Elaine Myerson; and one great-grandchild, Frances Sharon Bragman, of Detroit, Mich. Funeral service took place from Paperman's, Rabbi C. Denburg officiating, assisted by Cantor A. [illegible] was in Chevra Ka[illegible]

Mrs. Bessie Pearson Segal died on Sunday, May 19, at her home, 2511 Addington Avenue, in her forty-third year. She is survived by her husband, Moe Segal; two daughters, Misses Eva and Greta Segal; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Pearson; two sisters, Mrs. Louis Richstone, Miss Tessie Pearson; and three brothers, Harry, of Washington, D.C.; Samuel, of Los Angeles, Cal.; and Matty. Funeral took place from Paperman's, Rabbi E. F. Mendelsorn and Reverend J. J. Fromm officiating. Burial was in Shaar Hashomayim section of Mount Royal cemetery. Mrs. Segal was a member of the Jewish General Hospital and one of the founders of the Junior Auxiliary; a past secretary of Montreal Hadassah; a member of the boards of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies; the Y.W.H.A., and the National Council of Jewish Women; one of the founders of the Welcome Club; treasurer of the Ladies' Golf Union; and past president of the Ladies' Branch of the Elmridge Golf and Country Club.

Mrs. Dina Sommer died on Saturday, May 18, at her home, 5806 Park Avenue. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Harry Soskin (Freda); two sons, Bernard and Joseph; ten grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Funeral took place from Paperman's, Rabbi S. H. Hershorn and Cantor L. Syrok officiating. Burial was in Beth Yehuda cemetery. Shiva at the home.

BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Max Steinberg (nee Gertrude Nemerow, formerly of Montreal), of Brooklyn, N.Y., at the Israel Zion Hospital, in Brooklyn, on May 7, a son, Victor Allen, brother of June; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Nemerow, Mountain Sights Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Steinberg, of Brooklyn; great-grandson of Mrs. W. Nemerow, Jeanne Mance Street. The godparents are: Mrs. Louis Gelberg and Dr. Morris Steinberg, both of Brooklyn.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Fefferman (nee Molly Frank), 6615 Casgrain Street, a son, Arthur, at the Jewish General Hospital, on April 17; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. S. Frank, Van Horne Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. S. Fefferman, Clark Street; great-grandson of Mrs. B. Frank, St. Lawrence Boulevard. Godparents are Miss Libby Frank, Van Horne Avenue; and William Zimmering, Jeanne Mance Street.

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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Spector (nee Eleanor Friedman), Grand Boulevard, a daughter, Linda Joan, at the Jewish General Hospital, on April 19. Grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Friedman, of New York; and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spector, Victoria Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Saul Kugler (nee Dorothy Fenster), 6858 Brodeur Avenue, a son, Henry Carl Frank, brother of Gordon, at the Royal Victoria Maternity Hospital, on April 21; grandson of Max Fenster, Brodeur Avenue, and the late Mrs. M. Fenster; and of Max Kugler, Kensington Avenue, and the late Mrs. M. Kugler; great-grandson of Mrs. R. Shapiro, Jeanne Mance Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Epstein (nee Ruth Shulman), 7353 Chambord Street, a son, Elliot, brother of Ilona Shelby, at the Jewish General Hospital, on April 21; grandson of Mrs. I. Shulman, St. Dominique Street, and the late I. Shulman; and of Mr. and Mrs. H. Epstein, Clark Street. Godparents are Miss Rose Shulman, St. Dominique Street; and Joseph Feig, Bloomfield Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Miller (nee Mary Sheiner), 4801 St. Catherine Road, a daughter, Earla Diane, at the Jewish General Hospital, on Sunday, April 21; granddaughter of I. Sheiner, Wiseman Avenue, and the late Mrs. I. Sheiner; and of Mr. and Mrs. P. Miller, Hutchison Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Kahne (nee Sara Goodman), Decarie Boulevard, a daughter, Harriet, sister of Myra, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on April 18; granddaughter of Mrs. Ida Goodman, Esplanade Avenue, and the late Harry Goodman; and of Mrs. Rose Kahne, Hutchison Street, and the late Max Kahne.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dubin (nee Sophie Pinchuk), 4860 Jeanne Mance Street, a son, Jerry, brother of Frances, at the Jewish General Hospital, on April 18; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. M. Pinchuk, Waverley Street; and of D. Dubin, Jeanne Mance Street, [illegible] Esplanade Avenue. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lindon, Colonial Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Stotland (nee Betty Palmer), 4541 Kensington Avenue, a daughter, Judith, at the Jewish General Hospital, on April 18. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Moses Palmer, of Ottawa, Ont.; and Mr. and Mrs. S. Stotland, Esplanade Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Moe Sigman (nee Pauline Liebling), 5092 Linton Avenue, a son, David, brother of Chalkie, at the Jewish General Hospital, on April 15. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. B. Liebling, Hutchison Street; and Mr. and Mrs. H. Sigman, de l'Epee Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. I. I. Glass (nee Anne Medres), 4820 Hutchison Street, a daughter, Vivian Judith, at the Jewish General Hospital, on April 10; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Medres, Hutchison Street; and of Mr. and Mrs. S. Glass, of Toronto, Ont.; great-granddaughter of Mrs. H. Victor, City Hall Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Cloo (nee Bessie Meskins), 5716 St. Urbain Street, a son, Harvey, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on April 15; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. M. Meskins, St. Urbain Street. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. Meskins, Wiseman Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Gillman (nee Dorothy Lapedis), Maplewood Avenue, at the Reddy Memorial Hospital, on May 3, a daughter, Barbara Ellen; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Lapedis, Brodeur Avenue; and of F. Gillman, Van Horne Avenue, and the late Mr. Gillman; great-granddaughter of Mrs. S. Tucker, Esplanade Avenue, and the late Samuel Tucker.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel [illegible] (nee Sara Gelt), 677 Davaar Avenue, at the Jewish General Hospital, on May 17, a son; grandson of Mrs. S. Gelt, Querbes Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Polansky (nee Clara Rappaport), 5000 Van Horne Avenue, a daughter, Marion Ruby, at the Royal Victoria Maternity Hospital, on April 19; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boris Rappaport, Davaar Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. R. Polansky, Dufferin Avenue; great-granddaughter of [illegible] Rappaport, [illegible], and of Mrs. [illegible], Esplanade Avenue.

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CHILDREN'S Birthday Parties

Mr. and Mrs. I. Olshansky, Laurier Avenue West, gave a party for their son, Perry Edward, who was three years old. Present were: [illegible] brother, Norman; and Rocha and Nancy Olshansky, David Katz, Jack Zaltzer, Romelee Feldman, Marvin Zaiser, Eileen Povitz, Nina Novolker, and Leonard and Edward Posmeth, of New Glasgow. Perry wore a white broadcloth suit. The cake was iced in white, with a blue and gold birthday inscription. His cousin, Rocha Olshansky, danced. Mrs. S. Olshansky, an aunt, assisted in serving.

Montreal Meetings

● PIONEER WOMEN'S Organization Oneg Shabbat, on Friday evening, May 24th, in the Jewish People's School. Guest speaker will be Sarah Kukso, Palestinian delegate of the Moetzoth Hapoaloth (Working Women's Council). Mrs. P. Lipshitz will give a talk from the Tenach. Shaindel Stipelman will recite and Mrs. M. Teitlebaum will preside. Organizational sessions are being arranged for Sarah Kukso's visit. Annual donor dinner on May 29th, at the Mount Royal Hotel, convenership of Mrs. M. Kravitz, will present Marie Syrkin, poet, writer and co-editor of the Jewish Frontier. Masha Benya will sing Palestinian melodies. Mrs. M. Surchin will preside. Goldie Myerson Group met at the home of Mrs. M. Yaged, 351 Stuart Avenue, raising $65 for the Building Fund of Moetzoth Hapoaloth. Dr. George J. Strean spoke on "The Obligations Of To-day's Mother To Her Children". Mrs. H. M. Caiserman spoke on "The Role Of The Histadruth", and Mrs. H. Ungar gave monologues.

● TEMPLE EMANU-EL, Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi: Services, Friday, May 24, at 8.15 p.m. Lecture: "The Urgency For World Government". Confirmation and Shabuoth services, Wednesday, June 5, at 10 a.m., are the only such held in Montreal. Confirmation Class: Stephen F. Asch, 63 Dufferin Road; Herbert M. Ginsberg, 5860 Victoria Avenue; Herbert R. Herman, 5305 Lincoln Avenue; Sheila Ruth Horn, 1589 Lajoie Avenue; Joan V. Kruger, 852 Murray Hill Avenue; Allan Levine, 4985 Queen Mary Road; Peter Loebel, 476 Mount Stephen Avenue; Arthur Weinthal, 2374 Belgrave Avenue. Dennis Dubin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Dubin, will be called to the Reading of the Law this Sabbath. Sisterhood closing luncheon had Mrs. E. B. Kramer, president, presiding. Mrs. D. E. Miller, secretary, gave her report. Mrs. J. Freedman pronounced the invocation. [illegible]

G. Gray, A. Michael, J. A. Boston, L. Wolfe, S. Cohn, H. E. Davis, H. J. Stern, A. J. Walker, M. Silverstein; president, E. B. Kramer; J. Freedman, W. Carin, G. Hollinger, A. H. Miller, H. Wolfe, H. Pickleman, D. R. Miller, G. Davis, H. W. Robinson, M. Arnovitz, S. Bick, G. Bornstein, S. [illegible], R. B. Burko, L. Geller, M. Goldberg, B. D. Joseph, A. S. [illegible], H. H. Lewis, H. [illegible] [illegible] J. Carrick [illegible] the Sisterhood will [illegible] donor luncheon at [illegible] at the closing of Religious [illegible] were: Rabbi's Cup, Stephen [illegible]; Bessie Jacobs Memorial Cup, [illegible] Segal; Anna Rost Memorial Cup, Beatrice Geller; Peter [illegible] Memorial Plaque, John Jones; Nathan Gordon Memorial Prize, Peter Loebel; Jennie Hart Isaacs Memorial Prize, Stephanie Stern; Julius Nathan Neumann Memorial Prize, Leslie Jonas; Shana Hollinger Memorial Prize, Sheila Horn; Brotherhood Scholarships in Hebrew, Sheila Horn, Joan Segal, Gerald Fortner, Kenneth Asch; Leib Hollinger Memorial Prize in Hebrew, John Jones; Capt. Sydney Pappelbaum Memorial Prize in Hebrew, Kenneth Asch; Arnold Greenfield Memorial Prize in Hebrew, Allan Sackes; Arnovitz Memorial Prizes, Peter Loebel, Sheila Horn; Albert Michael Junior Memorial Prize, David Mortimer; Malca Caplan Memorial Prize, Norma Levine; Charles Asch Prize, Cecile Reinhart; Junior Hebrew Prizes, Andrea Yaphe, Elaine Sherwin, Ruby Copnick, Stephanie Stern, Leslie Jonas, Susan Pascal; Intermediate Hebrew, Larry Spiegel; Daily Hebrew, Corinne Copnick, Joseph Jones, Robert Rosenthal; Parent Teacher Association (Staff), W. Lightstone; Sarah Carrick Memorial (Staff), Rose Eisenstat; [illegible] Prize (Parents), Dr. I. Copnick, I. Caplan; Graduation Plaque, Peter Margo; Mechanics [illegible] Memorial Prize, David Mortimer; Mr. and Mrs. H. Grover Prize, Arthur Weinthal; Henry Simons Memorial Prize, Beatrice Geller; Maxwell Goldstein Memorial Prize, Peter Margo; Miss Attie Leber Prize (Current Events), Allan Levine. Others, Paul Yaphe, Brian Wolfe, Stephen Roth; Ruby Copnick, Elaine Sherwin; Anita Jones, Andrea Yaphe, Stanley Pappelbaum, Susan Pascal; Stephanie Stern, Paul Leber, Betty Jane Greene, Roland Herman, Peggy Rosenthal, Suzy Roth, Gerald Fortney, Irene [illegible], Carole Lax; Corinne Copnick, Leslie Jonas, Elizabeth Loebel, Paula Pascal; Ruth Margo, Elaine Weinthal, Eva Stern, Barbara [illegible], Kenneth Asch, John Jones, Ada Steiner, Dennis Dubin, David Mortimer, Stephen Asch, Natalie Horn, Cyril Carrick; Arthur Weinthal, [illegible]

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Social Notes — Toronto

(Additional Toronto News on Page Seven)

Irwin Atlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Atlin, 2 Austin Crescent, returned on the Ile de France after serving one and a half years in Holland, Germany, and England.

Barnet Danson Simmons, R.C.A.F., son of Mrs. A. A. Simmons, 230 Heath Street West, returned on the Ile de France, after serving two and a half years in India, Burma, Ceylon, Shetland Islands, Ireland, England, and Egypt.

Mrs. E. Dicker, 289 Rusholme Road, has retured after a three-month tour, having visited her brother, Joseph Pasternak, and her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cardon, all of Beverley Hills, Cal., for a month; and stopped at Phoenix, Arizona, and Washington, D.C.

Mrs. H. Weisfeld, 6 Austin Crescent, has returned from Miami Beach, Florida, after a ten-week stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Saul Weisbrod and daughters, Doreen and Ruth, formerly of 46 Beatrice Street, have taken up residence in their new home at 330 Rushton Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bennett, Elmridge Drive; Mr. and Mrs. M. Green, Glen Cedar Road; and Mr. and Mrs. J. Weinstein, Montrose Avenue, were guests at the marriage of Miss Florence Thier, of Buffalo, N.Y., to Sydney C. Cooper, of Toronto.

Mrs. J. H. Winters, 232 Heath Street West, and Mrs. B. Rothschild, Fleetwood Avenue, have returned, after spending ten days in New York.

Stanley Greben, 517 Ossington Avenue, is spending two weeks in New York, with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. Marks, and on his return will visit his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. F. Gellman, of Buffalo, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Kisin and daughter, Carole Lynn, formerly of Montreal, Que., have taken up residence at their new home, 222 Joicey Boulevard.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Gilbert, of Brooklyn, N.Y., are visiting their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. I. Hammer, 208 Rusholme Road, for a week, and were present at the marriage of the latters' son, Max Hammer, to Miss Miriam Kates.

Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Derbin, of Miami Beach, Florida, are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hyman Weisfeld, 8 Austin Crescent, for two weeks.

Mrs. Sol. Berkman, of Forest Hills, Long Island, N.Y., is the guest of her nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Salutin, 490 Montrose Avenue.

Mrs. Irving Fotash, Montrose Avenue, has returned from Chicago, Ill., where she visited with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cohen.

Phillip Chasin, son of Mrs. Rose Chasin, 38 Classic Avenue, returned on the Ile de France, after serving one and a half years in England.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Merker, Raglan Road; Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Merker, Whitmore Avenue; Mr. and Mrs. H. Merker, Forest Hill Road; Mrs. Ida Merker and daughter, Rita, Hilton Avenue; Mrs. S. Ruback, Bellwoods Avenue; Mrs. M. Greenberg, Nina Avenue; and Daniel Friedlander and son, John, Avenue Road, went to New York, to be present at the bar-mitzvah of Martin Greenberg, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. Greenberg, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. M. Friedlander, all of New York.

L.A.C. Samuel Resnick, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Resnick, 219 Grace Street, returned on the Ile de France, after serving two years in England, France, Germany, Belgium, and Holland.

Gunner Lionel Dick, R.C.A., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Dick, 723 Bloor Street West, returned on the Ile de France, after serving three years in England. He attended the Khaki University of Canada, in London, England.

Miss Charlotte Berkman, of Forest Hills, Long Island, is the guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. I. Levenson, Palmerston Boulevard, while here for the homecoming of her fiance, L.A.C. Robert Gellant, R.C.A.F.

Mrs. H. Arnoff and daughter, Mildred, 37 Nassau Street, have left to spend two weeks at the Chalet, in Ste. Agathe, Que.

Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Solway, Bloor Street West, and Mrs. L. J. Solway, Madison Avenue, returned from Philadelphia, Pa., where the former attended the convention of the American College of Physicians.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Viner, 129 Grange Avenue, entertained for Mr. and Mrs. H. Kessler, of Montreal, Que., during their two-week visit here.

Clifton Mark Pezim, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Pezim, Austin Crescent, was welcomed home at the Coliseum, after two years overseas' service, by friends and relatives who went to their home, about fifty guests being present.

Miss Barbara Tate, 17 Henry Street, entertained twenty guests at a personal shower for Miss Marion Erlick, whose marriage to Fred Fine takes place on June 9. The hostess wore a two-piece black and white checked dress, and was assisted by her mother, Mrs. A. Tate, in grey wool. The honoree wore a print silk jersey dress.

Mrs. F. Mitchell and daughters, Mrs. J. Leneck and Miss Anne Mitchell, 424 Euclid Avenue, gave a presentation dinner for Miss Lila Feldman, whose marriage to Murray H. Kirshbaum takes place on June 9. Mrs. Mitchell wore a mauve crepe dress, with black lace trimming, and was assisted by Mrs. Leneck, in a black dress, and Miss Ann Mitchell, in a print dress, the honoree wearing a grey suit. She was presented with a set of silverware. Thirty-five guests were present.

Mrs. J. Tepperman, 1094 Dundas Street, was hostess at a personal shower for Miss Lila Feldman, whose marriage to Murray H. Kirshbaum takes place on June 9. Mrs. Tepperman wore a fuchsia-colored dress, and was assisted by Mrs. J. Kirshbaum, in a two-piece dress, with a black skirt, and print top; Mrs. I. Feldman, in a grey dress; Mrs. A. L. Feldman, in an American Beauty-coloured suit; and Mrs. J. Leneck in a pale blue crepe dress. The honoree wore a brown tailored suit, with a turquoise-blue blouse. There were twenty-five guests.

Mrs. B. Charloff, Markham Street, entertained at a tea at Eaton's Round Room, in honour of her daughter, Vera, whose marriage to Bernard Morrison, takes place on September 8. Mrs. Charloff received in a blue crepe dress, with pink roses in her hair, assisted by Mrs. I. Morrison, mother of the groom-elect, in a green and yellow print dress, with yellow roses in her hair; and the honoree wore a silver-grey crepe dress, with white sweet peas in her hair. There was a variety of spring flowers on the head table and the buffet. There were one hundred guests present.

Mrs. L. Schwartz, 619½ Manning Avenue, entertained at Chudleigh House for Miss Ida Shirley Snider, of Detroit, Mich., whose marriage to her son, Jack Herbert Schwartz, takes place in June. Mrs. Schwartz wore an aquamarine-colored crepe dress, with a corsage of yellow roses, and was assisted by Mesdames J. Goldstein, wearing a black crepe dress, trimmed with sequins, and a corsage of red roses; M. Goldstein, in a powder-blue crepe dress, and a corsage of red roses; and L. Zeigler, in a print silk jersey dress, and a corsage of yellow roses. The honoree wore a black and white dress, with red roses. There were ninety guests present.

A luncheon was given by Mrs. S. Waxman and Mrs. D. Birken at Murray House, in honour of Miss Belle Waxman, whose forthcoming marriage to Max Birken takes place on September 1. Mrs. Waxman, mother of the bride-elect, wore a black crepe dress, and was assisted by Mrs. Birken, mother of the groom-elect, in a powder-blue crepe dress. The honoree wore a black crepe dress, trimmed with white satin, and pale green lace, and a corsage of roses and sweet peas. The head table was set off with a centrepiece of red tulips, and pink and white carnations. Out-of-town guests present were: Mesdames G. Sherman, D. Sherman, and Miss Laura Sherman, all of Detroit, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Dicker, 289 Rusholme Road, gave a party for their daughter, Alice, on her sixteenth birthday. Present were: Toby Ashley, Anita Bloom, Ellen Shaefer, Ray Shaefer, Frances Foster, Bernice Marks, Betty Rafalov, Rose Sotts, Annette Herman, Lili Dicker; and Jack Schwartz, Jack Rafalov, Allan Pasternak, Norman Bobrowsky, Morley Wolfe, Stanley Maidenberg, Ernest Dicker, Cyril Houser, and Andrew Meisner. Alice wore a dress fashioned with an off-the-shoulder line, white eyelet top, and a flared pink skirt, with white eyelet embroidery, and black ribbon pulled through the eyelet. The table was covered with a cutwork cloth, and held tulips as a centrepiece, and there were candles on the mantel.

Miss Peggy Gotfried, 16 Alberta Avenue, celebrated her eighteenth birthday at a hayride at the Centreville Riding Academy, with the following guests: Misses Bettie Gotfried, Carol Arthurs, Zelda Brownstein, Gail Cooper, Shirley Golesky, Reva Lipton, Bernice Lyons, Joyce Malinoff, Joyce Papernick, Geraldine Solomon, Helen Steinberg, Edith Tobin, Ethel Weinrib; and Charles Brown, Merlyn [illegible], Charles Pruit, all of Buffalo, N.Y.; and Philip Richman, Harvey Weisstock, U.S.N.; Max [illegible], Jack Morris, Julian Rose, Walter Berman, Murray Battle, Gerald Morr, Reeve Israelson, Stanley Goodman, Edward Hyde, Morris Kirsch, Sol. Waldman, Julius Goodman, Milton Snow, Irving Wortsman, and Michael Feldman.

Waldo Frank, noted American author and critic, will be guest speaker at the ninth annual meeting of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto, on Thursday, May 30, at the King Edward Hotel, at 6.00 p.m. Edward E. Gelber, president, will give his report.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Meyers, Carling Avenue, entertained at a party in honour of their daughter Helen's birthday. Helen wore a two-piece black and white checked dress, with black accessories. Guests present were: Misses Rowena Kay, Lorraine Kushner, Renie Lieberman, Peggy Parker; and Stewart Farb, Marvin Seigel, Howard Lockwood, Donald Farb, and Aaron Pollock.

Miss Ida Stekel, 131 Beatrice Street, entertained at a luncheon at Simpson's Arcadian Court, for her cousin, Miss Marian Granatstein, whose marriage to Allan Saltzman takes place in September. Miss Stekel wore a teal-blue suit, and her mother, Mrs. L. Stekel, a brown suit. Mrs. J. Granatstein, mother of the bride-elect, wore a grey suit; Mrs. A. Saltzman, mother of the groom-elect, a dark grey suit; and the honoree, a pale blue suit. There were nineteen guests present.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Haimes, 208 Claremont Street, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Sunday, May 19, at a dinner, with one hundred and fifty guests. Mrs. Haimes wore a black sheer gown, with a corsage of Talisman roses. The hosts were the immediate family: Mr. and Mrs. David Siegel, Mr. and Mrs. H. Steinberg, Mr. and Mrs. D. Miller, of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. S. Haimes, Mr. and Mrs. D. Greenzweig, Mr. and Mrs. A. Starkman, and Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Siegel, who are grandchildren. Other grandchildren present were: Murray, Ruth, and Sydney Steinberg, Elaine and Myrna Miller, of Detroit, Mich.; Sheila and Joseph Haimes; and a great-grandchild, Faith Sharon Siegel. Out-of-town guests were Mesdames B. Abramson and S. Borack, of Detroit, Mich. The table was decorated with a wedding cake in the shape of a book, with streamers of gold ribbon tied to white tapers.

Mrs. I. Kravitz, 20 Claxton Boulevard, gave a presentation tea in honour of her niece, Miss Gerrie Berman, whose marriage to Frank Spiegel takes place in June. The hostess wore a blue crepe dress, with a corsage of red roses, and Mrs. M. Spiegel, mother of the groom-elect, wore a pink and black print dress, with a corsage of roses. The honoree wore a beige crepe afternoon dress, with fuchsia-colored accessories, and carnations in her hair. The table was covered with a white cut-work table cloth, and centred with roses, sweet peas, and hollyhocks, with triple candelabra, holding white candles, on each side. Miss Gertrude Green, who returned from Los Angeles, Cal., was in charge of the dining room. Those who poured were: Mesdames G. Berman, J. Kravitz, S. Shindman, M. Fruitman, J. Green, and M. Spiegel. Their assistants were: Mrs. F. Clarfield, Misses Gertrude Spiegel, Pauline Spiegel, Bella Sheesel, Esther Sheesel, Hilda Klein, Edith Shindman, and Helen Fabritsky, of Kitchener. There were two hundred and fifty guests present.

Mrs. Morris Grafstein, Brunswick Avenue, entertained at a tea to honor the forthcoming marriage of her daughter, Molly, to Dr. Robert Brown. The hostess was in a black and white print dress, with corsage of pink roses, and was assisted by Mrs. S. Brown, mother of the groom-elect, in grey crepe, with corsage of red roses. The honoree wore beige draped crepe, with corsage of orchids. The tea table, covered with a cut-work cloth, was centred with white and pink carnations and white tapers. Those who poured were: Mesdames M. Shinert, Mark Levy, M. Goodman, M. Solomon, S. Bessin, D. Rosen, of Hamilton; S. Salsman, J. Shafir, and F. Meyers; their assistants being Misses Dora Kligerman, Lillian [illegible], Miriam Bessin, and Dorothy Wolfe, of Detroit, Mich.; and Mesdames M. Stein and S. Adler, of Hamilton; and I. Milton. Assistants to the bride-elect were: Mesdames Philip Brown, S. Charles Kaplan, Meyer Solomon, M. Dolgoy, S. Hoffman, and Miss Helen Grafstein. About two hundred and fifty guests called, among them Mrs. D. Weiner and Mrs. M. Sacks, of New York; and Mesdames D. Rosen, S. Adler, N. Seaman, and Miss Anna Seaman, of Hamilton.

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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. William Rotenberg (nee Adele Cohen), 1860 Bathurst Street, at Toronto Western Hospital, on May 5, a daughter, Nancy Sue. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cohen, 7 Fairleigh Crescent; and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rotenberg, 1661 Bathurst Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. H. Maysel (nee Estelle Goldstein), 474 Brunswick Avenue, on April 25, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter, Phyllis Brenda. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Goldstein, 474 Brunswick Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Maysel, 242½ Shaw Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Robotnick (nee Clara Katzman, of Toronto), of Boston, Mass., on March 23, a daughter, Beverley Rose, sister of Doreen. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Max Katzman, 7 D'Arcy Street; and Mr. and Mrs. H. Robotnick, of Boston, Mass.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Sol. Borkowitz (nee Pauline Wexler), Palmerston Avenue, a son, Harold Allan, at Toronto General Hospital, on Monday, May 13. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. S. Wexler, Bloor Street West; and Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Borkowitz, Markham Street.

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Toronto Meetings

● Dr. H. A. Fischel, Rabbi of Bnai Israel Congregation, in St. Catharines, read a research paper at the annual convention of the Canadian Society of Biblical Studies at the University of Toronto, on "The Conception Of Martyrdom In Jewish Literature And Its Influence Upon Christianity".

● NATIONAL COUNCIL of Jewish Women: Mrs. Harold Lorie, national president, announces that the campaign for medical supplies and comfort items for overseas relief, in which the twelve Sections of the Council participated, resulted in six tons of supplies, which with many cash donations places the value at a total of approximately $7,000. The campaign was in co-operation with the Canadian Jewish Congress, and the articles were sent to its receiving depot in Montreal, for overseas. A shipment will shortly be on its way to China for the relief of Jewish patients in a hospital at Shanghai. Each Section is arranging a special meeting to which clothing will be brought for the National Clothing Collection, June 17 to 29. Mrs. Lorie will be the special guest at the annual meeting of the Welland and Ottawa Sections. Acceptances have been received of two scholarships voted on at the Triennial Meeting last January. One is a fellowship at Queen's University, Kingston, for cancer research to the amount of $2,200; the other, at the College of Medicine, Saskatoon, is for blood plasma research to the amount of $2,000. These awards were made possible through a balance in the War Efforts Fund which is now closed.

● Y. W. ORIGINALS CLUB mothers' and daughters' luncheon was at Chudleigh House. Master of ceremonies was Mrs. L. Zimmerman. A toast to the mothers was given by Mrs. L. Millstone, and a response by Mrs. M. Fedder. Mrs. M. Sone introduced the guest speaker, I. Roth. The mothers were presented with corsages of carnations. Members of the club are: Mesdames H. Blackstein, S. Greene, J. Goodman, D. Jackson, S. Millman, L. Millstone, A. Pearl, A. Schwartz, G. Schwartz, B. Sobel, M. Sone, L. Zimmerman, Misses Jennie Rosen and Sadie Stone.

● DAUGHTERS OF ISRAEL Charity Society luncheon and bridge in honour of brides-to-be, Misses Dorothy Potashin, Mary Kamen, Frieda Neroll; and Mrs. Ralph Sacks, the former Miss Sadie Fedder, heard as speakers: Mesdames I. H. Chapnick, J. Landsberg, C. Weiner, J. Slovis, J. M. [illegible], O. [illegible], D. Goodman, A. [illegible], [illegible], L. [illegible]. The [illegible] received gifts.

● KINNERETH CLUB mothers' and daughters' luncheon was at Chudleigh House, the president, Miss Ethel Raicers, welcoming the mothers. Mrs. J. Feikes spoke for them. Annual tea, on Sunday, May 26, at 106 Kendal Avenue.

● RADOMER LADIES Auxiliary annual charity tea will be held on Sunday, May 26, from 2 to 10 p.m., at the home of Mrs. J. Goodman, 90 Willcox Street. Friends invited.

● PRIDE OF ISRAEL, Young Women's Group, attended a luncheon at the Royal York Hotel, to celebrate the rummage sale. Guests at a mothers' and daughters' supper, at Murray House, in the absence of chairman, Mrs. M. Lister, were welcomed by Mrs. S. King, vice-chairman. Mrs. W. Manilla acted as master of ceremonies. Rabbi D. Monson was guest speaker. Mrs. I. Persofsky gave a reading in Jewish, and Mrs. H. Korzen entertained. Mrs. A. Hornfield gave a report on money made and given to charities. Mrs. S. Gilbert thanked the Rabbi, and Mrs. L. Peranson thanked Mrs. Manilla. Mesdames M. Kodack and L. Peranson presented all the mothers with gifts on behalf of the group. Mrs. I. Sone was the social convener.

● MINSKER FARBAND, Ladies Auxiliary, will meet at the Radomer Hall on May 27, with Mrs. D. Lightstone presiding. A Palestinian project will be discussed. Bridge. Prospective members attend.

● LADIES INDEPENDENT Society held a bridge at the home of Mrs. J. Allen, 52 Ulster Street, for charity. Next meeting at the home of Mrs. S. Isenberg, 119 Markham Street, on June 3, at 8 p.m.

● TUROV FAREIN was organized at the home of J. Lexchin, 47a Christie Street, to help the remaining families in Turov and surrounding towns in White Russia, and $170 was raised. President is H. Honickman; others, J. Lexchin, S. Chechick, I. Lieberman, S. Lieberman, J. Shifman, M. Shifman; Mesdames H. Honickman, N. Forman, M. Cohen, M. Warshavsky; M. Kraftchick. Anyone coming from Turov or nearby towns may get information by calling H. Honickman, LL. 6729.

● CLUB MAR-DEL held a Mother's Day luncheon, at Murray House. President is Miss Freda Goldman; others, Misses Hannah Borovoy, Fay Sherman, Ronnie Marcus, Shirley Bellinger, Beatrice Freedman, Min Koblinsky, Ruth Swadron, Min Swartz, Mesdames B. Gotlieb, L. Freedman, C. Goldman, M. Kaimen, L. Winnick. Guests present were: Mesdames H. Bellinger, A. Borovoy, H. Freedman, M. Roachman, M. Katzman, I. Weisbrod, H. Caplan, A. Koblinsky, W. Sherman, A. Swadron, S. Swartz, S. Wagner, I. Gotlieb, A. Kaimen, P. Winnick, J. Diamond, M. Sheinman, A. Aronowitz, O. Suffrin, Miss Anne Marcus, Mrs. S. Melman, all of whom received gifts.

● D'ARCY TALMUD TORAH Sisterhood met at the home of Mrs. A. Goldman, 82 Shannon Street, with Mrs. J. Tanenbaum presiding in the absence of the president, Mrs. J. Greenbaum. For the annual tea on June 2, at the home of Mrs. S. Katz, 29 Rusholme Drive, tea conveners are Mrs. I. Lerman and Mrs. M. Rotstein. All welcome.

● GRAND ORDER OF ISRAEL Ladies Auxiliary annual tea in aid of charity is on Sunday, June 2, from 3 to 8 p.m., at the home of Mrs. S. Marks, 592 Rusholme Road. Public is invited.

● BNAI BRITH Young Men, Chapter 84, elected: Irving Berkowitz, [illegible]; others, H. [illegible], M. [illegible], D. [illegible], L. [illegible], M. Hershberg, M. Shapiro. I. Berkowitz was elected as delegate to District Number One convention in New York. Closing banquet on June 9. Information on membership from M. Hershberg, AD. 9761.

● JEWISH IMMIGRANT Aid Society open meeting at Euclid Avenue and College Street, at 8.15 p.m., on Tuesday, May 28, presents Rabbi Abraham L. Feinberg, of Holy Blossom Temple, as speaker. Admission by invitation from the office. Council of Organizations of the Society is in charge. Philip H. Denkner is chairman, Arrangements Committee. J. Salem is Council chairman; Dr. J. L. Atkins, Central Region president; Miss Toby Taback, acting executive secretary.

● HADASSAH: Western Chapter annual tea and garden party will be at the home of Mrs. A. B. Bennett, 5 Burton Road, on Monday, May 27, from 3 to 8 p.m.; Nahalal Chapter annual tea, on Sunday, May 26, from 3 to 7 p.m., at the home of Mrs. J. Colomby, 52 Turner Road, conveners, Mesdames S. Strauss, J. Gutmann. Queen Esther Chapter met at the home of Mrs. S. Kalman, 368 Roxton Road, with Mrs. M. Margel presiding. Mrs. E. Atlas donated towards Hadassah Village fund in honour of her daughter, Rita. Mrs. Margel thanked the members for cooperation at the tea at the home of Mrs. M. Bergman, 32 Rusholme Road. A cheque for $1,000 was donated for the Hadassah Village in Palestine at closing luncheon. Chapter closing will be at the home of Mrs. M. Kohl, 150 Dewbourne Avenue.

● CANADIAN Jewish Congress, Women's Central Division, tea and shower for children's clothing, will be on Monday, June 3, at Chudleigh House. Mrs. H. M. Samuels is convener. Women's Committee decided to mobilize women's organizations in an SOS (Supplies for Overseas Survivors) campaign.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Simberg, 80 Brunswick Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Reva Miriam, to Phillip Zarnett, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Zarnett, Oxford Street, the marriage to take place in the fall.

APPROACHING MARRIAGES

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Simberg, 80 Brunswick Avenue, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Dianne Eleanor, to William Harry Selick, of St. John, N.B., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Selick, to take place on June 20, at Beth Jacob Synagogue, at five o'clock.

MARRIAGES

SEAMAN-WOOLF

The marriage of Gladys Irene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Saul Woolf, Eglinton Avenue West, to Meyer Seaman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Seaman, of Hamilton, took place on May 15, at four o'clock, at Holy Blossom Temple, Rabbi Abraham L. Feinberg officiating. Miss Mildred Paulin sang "Because", and Eric Schaeffer played the wedding music. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white satin fashioned on classic lines, the full skirt extending into a semi-train, and a coronet headdress of lace and seed pearls which had been worn by her mother. She carried a bouquet of white roses and bouvardia. Her sister, Miss Betty Woolf, was maid of honor, in a gown of blue corded taffeta, and a matching headdress, and carried pale pink roses. Myra and Sylvia Gollom were flower girls, dressed alike in floor-length dresses of white organdy, with matching garlands in their hair, and carrying nosegays of roses. Mervin Gollom was best man. A reception followed at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. Gollom, Walmer Road. The bride's mother received in grey crepe, with pale pink hat, and corsage of pink roses. The groom's mother wore a two-piece grey dress, with corsage of pink roses. The couple left on a wedding trip to Montreal, Que.; New York, and Florida, and will live in Toronto. For going away the bride wore a blue two-piece suit, with matching hat, and tan accessories.

Card Of Thanks

Mrs. H. M. Lehrer and daughter, wish to thank their many relatives, friends, and neighbours, for their kind expressions of sympathy and for their beautiful floral tributes, and especially thank Rabbi J. Washer for his consoling words during their recent bereavement.

UNVEILINGS

The unveiling of memorial monuments to the late Louis Wilson and Mrs. Leah Wilson will take place on Sunday, May 26, at the Y.M.H.A., Roselawn Avenue, at eleven o'clock in the morning.

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of a loving husband and father, David L. (Dovid Lieb) Cohen, who passed away May 22, 1936 (21st day Iyar). Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by his wife and family.

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The layettes, purchased by the Joint Distribution Committee with funds made available by the United Jewish Appeal, were assembled in response to an urgent cable from Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, chairman of the European Executive Council of the J.D.C. These 6,000 layettes were the first of several shipments of layettes and children's garments to be shipped to help clothe the wretchedly underclad Jewish child survivors in Europe.

Each layette consisted of one dozen diapers, two receiving blankets, one wool crib blanket, two wrappers, one sweater, three baby shirts, three pair of stockings, two caps, two towels and face cloths, waterproof sheeting, soap, pins and baby talcum.

Contributions of wearing apparel for children of all ages are also sought by the S.O.S. Collection, emergency project of the Joint Distribution Committee to supplement the regular J.D.C. relief programs among the Jewish survivors overseas. Sewing and knitting groups have been organized to make additional garments for the ill-clad child survivors.

Foodstuffs, medicines, comfort items and household articles are also being appealed for in the nation-wide S.O.S. drive, which has already collected 850,000 pounds of supplies contributed by Jewish communities in more than 525 cities throughout the country. The national goal is 20,000,000 pounds. Shipped from New York, these relief supplies are distributed abroad by the 125 J.D.C. representatives stationed throughout Europe.

New Book By Van Paassen

"Earth Could Be Fair", by Pierre Van Paassen, published by Longmans, Green and Company, Toronto, is the chronicle of Gorcum, a small town in the Netherlands. But it is more than that: it is the human biography of a city—any city—anywhere. It is the eternal story of mankind as reflected in a Dutch town against the background of the turbulent history of the twentieth century.

In "Earth Could Be Fair", Pierre van Paassen tells of his schoolmates and their strange destinies during World War II. This book reads like an exciting novel, always inspired by the passionate beliefs of the author, permeated with his limitless love for humanity, illuminated by his prophetic hope for a new and fairer world.

Pierre van Paassen was born in Gorcum, Holland (the town of which he writes so intimately in "Earth Could Be Fair") in 1898. He comes of a family that includes a long line of Protestant clergymen on both sides. He received his education at the Erasmian Gymnasium in Rotterdam and, when in his teens, he and his family emigrated to Canada. In World War I, he served as a volunteer with the Canadian Expeditionary Force and took part in the campaign in France.

On his return to Canada he became a reporter for the Toronto Globe. From Toronto he went to Atlanta, Ga., where he was an editorial writer and reporter for the Constitution; then to the late New York World, then abroad as a feature writer and roving correspondent for the Evening World. In addition to crossing and re-crossing Germany after the Hitler régime came into power, Pierre van Paassen visited the Soviet Union several times. He was with the Ethiopian forces in the resistance against Italy, and in Spain after the outbreak of the civil war there.

GOOD NEWS, FOR A CHANGE; BULGARIAN JEWS SAFE

"We Bulgarian Jews are all safe and sound and have increased in number from 47,000 before the war to 50,000 after it," read a memorandum prepared and sent to the Paris Foreign Ministers' conference by the Bulgarian Jewish Central Consistory, in Sofia.

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I wholly disapprove of what you say and will defend to the death your right to say it. — Voltaire to Helvetius.

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Commentaries

By Dr. Harry J. Stern, Rabbi

Questions Asked Of The Rabbi

"Purify our hearts that we may serve Thee in truth." — *Prayerbook.*

There is a vast literature in the literary treasure-house of Israel devoted to questions presented to rabbinic authorities, and their answers. We speak of these as "Responsa". Rabbis these days are not asked so much pertaining to Jewish law and ritual observances as in former years when the Jewish community lived under the discipline of Jewish law. But, happily, questions are traditionally still asked of the modern religious leader. I want to deal here with three interrogations often asked of me, a Reform Rabbi:

"Is not Reform Judaism a religion of convenience?" How often is this query set forth! Now, before we advance an answer, it is best that we define Reform Judaism. It is Judaism revitalized and translated in the world view of our age. The keynote of Reform is progress, that which has ever been characteristic of historic Judaism.

Far from being "a religion of convenience", Reform Judaism is a religion of conscience. To the color-blind, the great artistic works of a Titian can have no significance of beauty; to the one insensate to great music the compositions of a Mozart can have no appeal and give no inspiration. To the uninformed in particular, Reform may well seem a matter of convenience because the one day holiday is observed, while our Conservative brethren follow the two-day holiday. Alas, how often do the prejudiced against the liberal interpretation of Judaism use this as an example of "easy Judaism" and try thus to drive home to their children how "goyish" or "gentilized" these Reformers have become.

Well, the truth is that the one-day holiday is followed in Reform because historically this manner of observance is correct. Before the synagogue calendar was fixed in the year 360. C.E. by Hillel, the second, Jews outside of Palestine were often in doubt as to time of declaration by the Sanhedrin of the birth of a new month. Hence the two-day observance was followed in the Diaspora while in Palestine to this day the one-day holiday has [illegible] followed, with the exception of Rosh Hashonah. We of [illegible] school, therefore, along with Palestinian Jewry prac[illegible] not as a matter of convenience but of [illegible]

[illegible] have in Reform Judaism granted religious equality to women. Thus, the girls as well as the boys undergo the beautiful rite of confirmation. To this day in Orthodoxy the woman is not counted to the "minyan", the quorum necessary for public worship. While in Conservative and in Reform Judaism the new practice of Bas-Mitzvah prevails along with the Bar-Mitzvah, in official Orthodoxy no such recognition is given to the girl.

We in Liberal Judaism have introduced the late Sabbath Eve service because we wish to be realistic in the matter of making it possible for a larger number to attend Temple. We find ourselves in an economic order of society where the historic Sabbath for most Jews is today a most difficult observance. Wishing to safeguard this great institution in Jewish life we have therefore changed the hours of worship. We know well this is the very best under the circumstances but look forward to the day when the five-day labor week will be firmly established and hence the complete observance of this holiday in its classic beauty will be restored. May it come about soon.

The practice of Torah reading on the Friday eve is merely in keeping with the practice of Torah reading which prevails in the Orthodox Synagogue on Mondays and Thursdays. These readings were added in Palestine because on these market days multitudes would gather in Jerusalem and the rabbis felt this was a psychological time to read from the Torah for the people.

We in Liberal Judaism cherish Hebrew but we wish prayer to be meaningful for the many who do not understand the Hebrew tongue, and hence we employ the vernacular in worship as well as the Hebrew. It is significant to observe that the early Reformers wished to establish the historic Sefardic pronunciation of the Hebrew in the synagogue but met with such strong opposition that the Ashkenazic rendition had to be retained. But more and more is emphasis given to Hebrew in the modern Reform religious school, and this is all to the good.

Many of the old ceremonies have been revitalized or reinterpreted, while a number of new ceremonials have been introduced, all this with the purpose of making the Jewish heritage more meaningful in a modern age.

When we turn to Jewish marriage laws we see no reason why the double ring ceremony should be disallowed now that the woman has religious equality. The bride, too, can if she wishes, by placing upon the finger of the groom, pray: "Be thou consecrated unto me with this ring as my husband according to the faith of Israel." Thus, too, in Liberal Judaism the priestly marriage laws which are predicated upon the sanctity of the Aaronites, have lost all significance since the destruction of the Temple destroyed the basis upon which position of the Kohen was established. Hence, we see no reason why a Kohen today should not be permitted to marry the woman of his love if she happens to be a divorcee.

Some of the Jewish mourning customs are not only obsolete but foreign to the modern age and environment. Surely, the observance of tearing the garment as a symbol of grief no longer has the appeal that it once had. If Reform Jews do not observe this, it is not that they wish to be less Jewish. Perhaps the use of the "black tie" or the "black arm band" as symbols of mourning have in this day and generation more meaning.

When the Reform Rabbi is invited to officiate at the ceremony [illegible] he does not refuse to do so on [illegible]

[illegible] Rabbi to [illegible]

we do! We can no longer hold to the literal interpretation of Bible and Talmud. Along with some of the greatest philosophic teachers of our faith we hold that the creation story of Genesis is but an allegory indicating how man first commenced to think as to the origin of life on earth.

We [illegible] not shave the corner of thy beard." We respect [illegible] but this does not mean that we are to follow slavishly the past. We believe in Jewish tradition and hence try at all times to give it a living forum. We cherish the legacy of the past and we yearn to develop it and make it effective for the present.

Judaism, we cherish because it gives us an answer as to the meaning of life and the universe. It furnishes us with faith in God and summons us to readiness in obedience to His will. Judaism gives us confidence and strength.

In heathen ages we were in great need of the walls of separation created by the Rabbis to safeguard us from the Gentile world. Today the majority of people amongst whom we dwell are God-believers. Hence not separativeness is our emphasis but interfaith. In this sense Reform Judaism has been the pioneer in interpreting Judaism to the non-Jewish world. It has opened wide the doors of the synagogue to all who wish to enter and is laboring hard for the realization of the prophetic vision that "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples."

Does Reform lead to assimilation? To begin with there are two kinds of assimilation: "active" and "passive". Reform opposes the passive assimilation which results in the loss of Jewish identity. But Reform recognizes that Jews have been active assimilationists throughout their entire history. In our history, many cultural elements of Assyrian, Babylonian and Persian origin have entered. Maimonides did not hesitate to harmonize Judaism with Aristotlian philosophy.

Some of the most precious Jewish beliefs and observances are of non-Jewish origin, though the genius of the Jew have assimilated these and Judaized them. We are all borrowers of one another's cultures. Look at the active assimilation of non-Jewish institutions into modern Judaism. Certainly the Y.M.C.A. movement is purely a Christian Protestant institution and a good one at that. We have copied our "goyim" by creating the Y.M.H.A. movement and the Y.W.H.A. movement. Certainly we have given the non-Jewish world plenty in the realm of the spiritual and we have taken something from them as well. Confess it.

But today the one-time battle between Orthodoxy and Reform has no meaning. For Reform and Orthodoxy are not adversaries. Only to the parochially-minded can there be antagonism between these two trends in modern Judaism. It all has to do with a question of emphasis. In Orthodoxy the emphasis is on tradition and ceremony, the accentuation in Reform is on the prophetic and ethical. Orthodoxy and Reform have their place and give evidence to the Conservative as well as the progressive elements in Jewish religious thinking. Just as the bird needs its two wings, each wing balancing the other as the bird flies, so we need the progressive factor which energizes, and the Conservative factor which preserves and fortifies.

The task of Reform and Orthodox Judaism is to make the Jew God-loving, to raise the stature of Jewish education and to advance piety and religious discipline. Reform and Orthodoxy should be mutually helpful. Both are indispensable one to another in the sacred task of enriching Jewish life. Let Reform Jews truly live their form of Judaism and let the Orthodox in turn live truly their faith and we shall indeed have a meaningful noble Jewish community life.

[illegible], too many in either camp just "talk" Judaism, but do not live it and do not know it and hence the secularism. The [illegible] to be [illegible] "Purify our hearts that we may [illegible]

Moses Maimonides And Liberal Judaism

By Rabbi Dr. R. Brasch, of London, England

Liberal and Progressive Judaism is not a child of modern times, a merely recent innovation. It is wrong to assume that it started only in 1810 when Jacobson consecrated the first Reform Temple in Seesen.

Progressive Judaism has existed throughout the centuries. We find its spirit whenever and wherever there was a living Jewish faith. It was this very same spirit which fought at all periods against superstitions, senseless conventions and a dead ceremonialism and strove for an enlightened faith, pure convictions, and a living Judaism.

Maimonides was a Liberal Jew— in his time. That does not mean his ideas and beliefs are necessarily our ideas and beliefs to-day. Surely that is only natural and implicit in the philosophy of Liberal Judaism. If we still believed in everything Maimonides said and thought, we should have stood still for more than 700 years.

We must measure Maimonides' significance not so much by what followed him as by what preceded him. If we call him a Liberal Jew, it is because of the principles permeating his teaching, conditioning his approach to religion, and forming the basis of his convictions.

What are those principles? An ardent belief in the necessity to apply one's reason to one's religion. The conviction (and knowledge, based on study) that religion is not static, but a dynamic force which, though based on the past, must look into the future and work for it. "A man should never cast aside his intellect; his eyes are intended to look forward and not backward." The firm view that Judaism is a progressive faith and must adapt itself to the special circumstances of each period. Religion must not be merely the outcome of past history, but the inspiration of an ideal to be achieved, a vision to be realised, not brainlessly but intelligently. It is our task to show the way, and not merely to follow it. "God knew that the judgments of the Torah will always require an extension in some cases and curtailments in others, according to the variety of places, events and circumstances." Such modifications are indispensable to a living Judaism.

The duty to think. Our faith and religious action must be based on reason. Maimonides condemned the blind following of ritual without a rational foundation. His *Guide for the Perplexed* is a noble plea for the importance of knowledge in the realm of religion and for the exercise of reason.

The necessity of study. The science of comparative religion can assist us to purify our faith. Fully to appreciate one's own religion it is necessary to open one's mind to other faiths. Maimonides was not afraid of studying other religious systems and of applying to Judaism the knowledge gained. The study of comparative religion made him understand many a law of the Bible, explain it and put it into its proper place. He held that Biblical legislation must be considered from the historical angle. Many laws and customs will then appear as mere reactions to heathenish experience and environment. Their purpose was time-conditioned: "Ye shall not walk in the manners of the nations which I cast out before you" was the principle. These laws, therefore, had no inherent and eternal religious value, but were meant to wean the Jewish people from the idolatrous ways of their neighbours.

A task of weeding. It is only natural that Judaism, as any other faith that grew through centuries, acquired accretions which are unworthy of it. The superstitious and unthinking mass is unable to differentiate between these inferior elements and ideas which are sublime and eternal, and often will go so far as to consider the less spiritual the more essential. A continuous process of weeding is necessary. We must eliminate from our religion that which is incompatible with its spirituality, its high purpose and supreme endeavour. Maimonides did so without much ado. He did not express any theory, but acted. He did not even comment on his action, probably knowing that that would only engender heated and disastrous polemics.

Progressive Jewish ideas permeate Maimonides' teaching and are reflected even in his correspondence and individual decisions. Religion to him was not merely a philosophy to be taught and problems to be discussed, but a life to be lived. He did not believe in the supremacy of the Talmud and considered too much concentration on its study to be wrong. This was not the least reason for his compiling his new Code of Law (the *Mishneh Torah*, i.e. the "Second Torah") and omitting in it the mention of any sources. Judaism should progress and not be fettered by ancient books.

The love of God alone should make us aspire to be true Jews. To keep one's religion merely out of fear of punishment or in anticipation of rewards defeats its own purpose. Maimonides fought those "believers", to whom religion was just a good insurance policy. "Not only do these fools fail to carry out a divine precept, but they [illegible] fancy in their folly [illegible] thus obtain vain temporal prosperity."

The most essential condition of a prayer is not its language, but its sincerity. When North African Jews, who had been forced to become Moslems, were in doubt whether they, who were unable to read Hebrew, might be permitted to say their prayers in the vernacular, most authorities decided against them. They held that a prayer which was not said in the sacred tongue was ineffective. Maimonides, however, in a letter, confirmed them in their Jewish beliefs and in in unequivocal language expressed his opinion that their voice would be heard by God, in whatever language they prayed.

In spite of his enthusiastic devotion to his progressive principles and the missionary fervour with which he lived to see them accepted throughout the whole of Jewry, Maimonides was fully aware of the many practical and psychological difficulties. He was realist enough to see that a pure and unsullied Judaism was beyond the capacity of many of his contemporaries.

First there was the antagonism of the ignorant and "brainless" Jew, who considered himself the only true Jew. Maimonides felt that it was a waste of time to explain or even defend his ideas to him. It was not that he was short-tempered or conceited, but experience had taught him that no reasonable argument was of any use in the case of the narrow-minded and self-righteous who "have eyes, and see not, who have ears, and hear not."

Secondly he was confronted with the religious scepticism of the educated class, who sincerely sought a true philosophy of life, but to whom faith appeared to be incompatible. Maimonides devoted the greater part of his life and work to this group. For them especially he wrote his *Guide for the Perplexed*. They are not lost to Judaism; on the contrary, they might become its most devoted disciples. But so far they have a wrong conception of Judaism; they consider that customs, beliefs, and supersti[illegible] of their orthodox brethren [illegible] up true Judaism. Maimonides [illegible] it his special task to expl[illegible] them the true essence of their [illegible]ligion, to show them its beauty [illegible] to make them realise that [illegible] and religion, far from being [illegible]compatible, are complementary.

Thirdly, there was the gr[illegible] mass of Jews, steeped in tradi[illegible] which had lost its significance, clinging to customs and conv[illegible]tions of the past, merely because they were of the past. Their re[illegible]gion lacked all spirituality. Maimonides knew enough of human nature to realise that Judaism in its purest form was beyond their understanding. Merely to show them the absurdity of their supersti[illegible]tions would defeat its very purpose. "It is contrary to man's nature that he should suddenly abandon all the different kinds of Divine Service and the different systems in which he has been brought up, and what have been so general that they were considered as a matter of course."

Maimonides was called a heretic by the official synagogue and the superstitious masses. His adherents were excommunicated. Not many years after his death his *Guide for the Perplexed* was handed over to the Christian authorities and publicly burned. However, in spite [illegible] the [illegible] opposition [illegible] Orthodox, the [illegible] began [illegible] adverse circumstances [illegible] he was experiencing the [illegible] darkness, he entitled *The Bo[illegible] Light.* The title was prophetic and symbolic of his whole life. No one could have striven more passionately for light in the relation between man and man, in the ponderings of the human mind, in the basis of all living and thinking— the realm of religion.

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Czechoslovakia who had been refugees in Rumania.

Local Hebrew papers said that the British mission in Bucharest had known about the [illegible] pending departure and tried to [illegible]suade the Russian authorities to prohibit her voyage. The Russ[illegible] it was said, refused to inter[illegible] with the Rumanian Govern[illegible] The British mission [illegible] then informed the Palestine [illegible]ministration, which knew [illegible] vessel's movements long in advance of her departure.

Debarkations took three h[illegible] The refugees were removed [illegible] clearance camp in Athlit [illegible] Haifa, where they were [illegible] to remain until the [illegible] the completion of formalities [illegible] the arrival of 1,014 others [illegible] La Spezia, Italy.

Those who watched the [illegible] stream from the ship [illegible] how small a craft could [illegible] so many during the week's [illegible]age from Constanta. The [illegible] ran short of water during [illegible] two days and had only [illegible] to drink daily. The [illegible] rushed water aboard as [illegible] ship arrived.

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the rioters and [illegible] They point out that [illegible] Arabs were [illegible] and they were [illegible] killing out of the [illegible] more than 400 [illegible] about half of [illegible] in [illegible]

Despite the [illegible]

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